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Yamat	Dep.	6.50	9.25	10.39	12.08	1.24	4.44	5.38	7.19
Shatin	Dep.	7.02	9.36	10.51	12.21	1.36	4.56	5.51	7.31
Taipei	Dep.	7.16	9.49	11.04	12.34	1.49	5.09	6.04	7.44
Taipei Market	Dep.	7.21	9.53	11.08	12.38	1.53	5.13	6.08	7.48
Fanning	Dep.	7.32	10.06	11.18	12.48	2.03	5.24	6.19	7.59
Shungshui	Dep.	7.38	10.07	11.22	12.52	2.07	5.28	6.23	8.02
Shumchun	Dep.	7.49	10.13	11.28	12.58	2.13	5.34	6.29	8.08
Shumchun	Arr.	7.21	8.05	10.39	11.40	3.00	4.17	5.13	6.08
Shungshui	Dep.	7.28	8.12	10.45	11.47	3.07	4.24	5.20	6.15
Fanning	Dep.	7.32	8.16	10.49	11.51	3.11	4.28	5.24	6.19
Taipei Market	Dep.	7.42	8.26	10.59	12.02	3.21	4.38	5.34	6.29
Taipei	Dep.	7.46	8.30	11.04	12.07	3.25	4.42	5.38	6.33
Shatin	Dep.	7.59	8.43	11.17	12.21	3.38	4.56	5.51	6.46
Yamat	Dep.	8.12	8.56	11.29	12.33	3.50	5.08	6.03	6.58
Kowloon	Arr.	8.20	9.03	11.37	12.41	3.58	5.16	6.11	7.06

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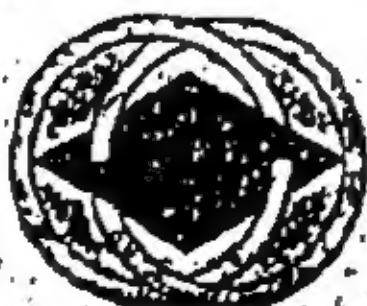
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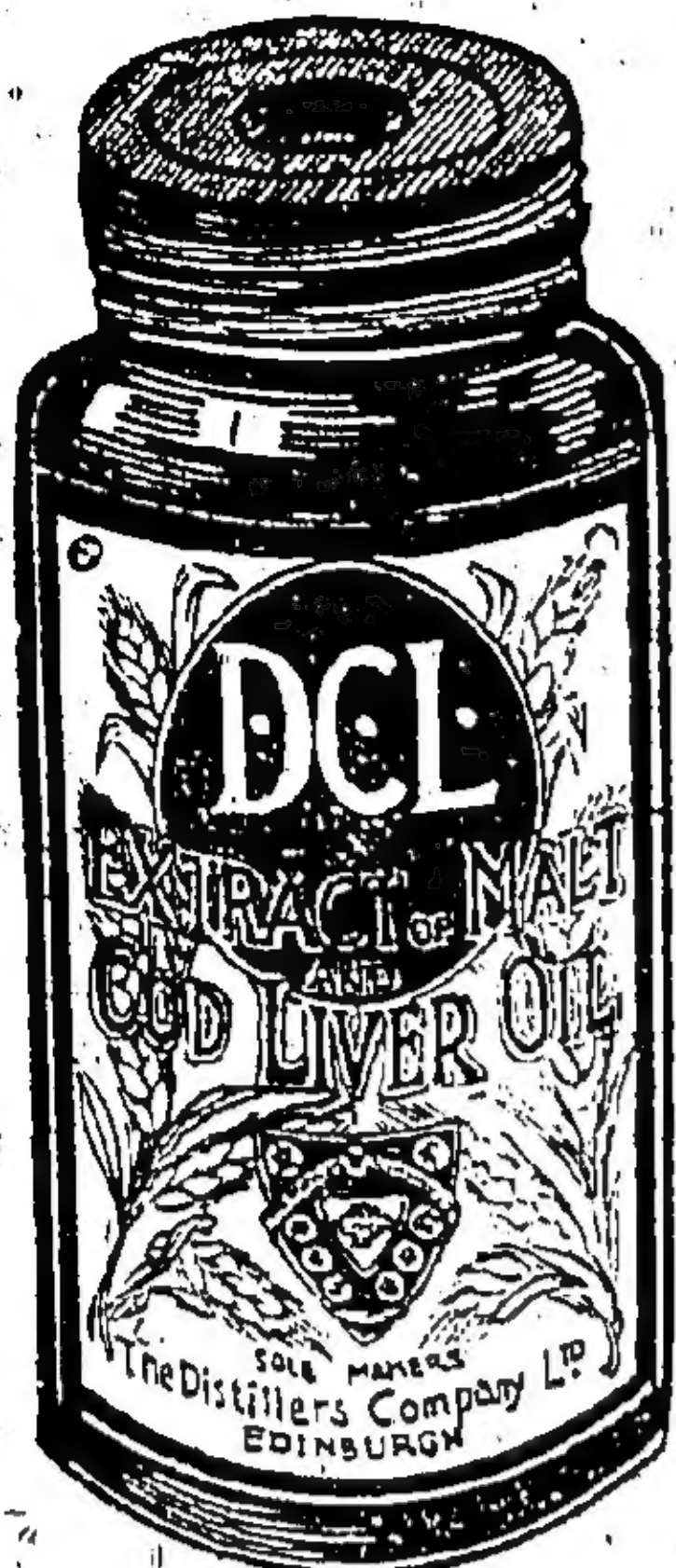
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THE MOST INTELLIGENT RACE?

RESULTS OF 116,000 MENTAL TESTS.

ENGLISH FIRST

For some time American psychologists have been attempting to assess and grade the mental capacity, firstly of school children, and secondly of nations as a whole. Mr. Carl C. Brigham, assistant professor of Psychology in Princeton University, has just completed an analysis of a memoir published by the National Academy of Sciences upon 116,000 mental tests carried out in the American Army during the war. In these tests 81,000 native-born Americans, 12,000 foreign born, and 23,000 negroes, were submitted to examination, and Mr. Brigham's results are set out in the following order:

1. English.
2. Scots.
3. Dutch.
4. German.
5. American (white).
6. Danish.
7. Canadian.
8. Swedish.
9. Norwegian.
10. Belgian.
11. Irish.
12. Austrian.
13. Turkish.
14. Greek.
15. Russian.
16. Italian.
17. Polish.
18. American (coloured).

The tests, it is important to note, were designed to measure native intelligence apart from educational attainments. Many were adapted for the completely illiterate and for others with no knowledge of English.

Professor Brigham forecasts a serious deterioration in American intelligence. "We are incorporating the negro into our stock, while all Europe is comparatively free from this taint," he says. "According to all the available evidence, American intelligence is declining, and will proceed to decline at an accelerating rate as the racial admixture becomes more and more extensive. If immigration were stopped now, the decline of American intelligence would still be inevitable."

RACE OR TRADITION?

Commenting on the analysis, Mr. W. J. Perry, reader in cultural anthropology in the University of London, told an *Observer* representative that to make intelligence tests upon groups of people drawn from various nations was an exceedingly difficult matter—certainly with any degree of accuracy and assurance. "Every European nation is mongrel," he continued. "It has been left to us to find a tradition, while the American nation consists of a mixture of all the nationalities of Europe, with Nordic types predominating."

"As a matter of fact, the population of England and Germany, not to speak of America, is extremely mixed. The basis of our own population, for example, is Mediterranean, and in the large towns this type is increasing. There are also members of the Nordic race in this country, as well as mixed Alpine types. Similarly, in Germany there are both Nordic and Alpine types. France, again, has all three types, while the American nation consists of a mixture of all the nationalities of Europe, with Nordic types predominating."

FALSE CONCLUSIONS.

"To get really satisfactory results, the statistician would have to sort out all these types from the various nationalities and then see what happened. Any other method of comparison would very likely lead to false conclusions. On the facts as they stand, it would seem that the system of education, and the whole social tradition of the various countries involved, would play a very large part in the matter, so that if Englishmen as a whole come out first, it is not because they belong to a racial type—they don't—but because they have come under the influence of a definite social tradition."

"Such would be the case with the Germans. But the Americans would fail because their social and educational systems do not produce the best results. It seems that there is a definite difference between the negro and the light-skinned man, though it would not be easy to define. There are distinct differences in temperament, it is true, between the various light-skinned races; but it would be a matter of extreme difficulty to frame any sort of intelligence test that would establish intellectual differences with absolute precision."

"It is not segregation," he concluded, "but intercourse with other countries which determines a nation's intellectual development."

NOT COMPARABLE SAMPLES.

Dr. Ronald Campbell Macfie, the well-known writer on evolution and heredity, while agreeing that the tests, as performed, were conclusive enough, said that the nations as a whole must not necessarily stand on the same intellectual level as the recruits they supplied to the American Army.

"It is very possible," he added, "that the emigrants from various nations are not in equal degree comparable samples of the average intellect of the nation to which they belong. In times of prosperity only the lowest class may be compelled to leave their native land. In times of adversity—as in Central Europe to-day—emigration may be forced chiefly on the intellectual. In some countries, such as Scotland and Ireland, enterprising, energetic, and courageous men have always sought their fortunes across the seas."

"It is at least safe to conclude from the tests that the average American to-day is of lower intelligence than the average English, Scottish, Dutch and German immigrant, and that, on the average, the Nordic races have more intelligence than the Alpine and Mediterranean, since all the purer Nordic races come at the top of the list. We ourselves run some risk of intellectual degeneration through inter-marriage with Mediterranean and Alpine races, who are constantly immigrating into England."

SORROW IN U.S.

The following whimsical leaderette on the above subject is reprinted from the *Daily Telegraph*:

There is sorrow in America, bewilderment, and blank despair. Once more they ask, as an obsolete writer of theirs asked when we were all younger, "Air things what they seem, or is visions about? Is our civilisation a failure?" The answer is in the affirmative. Their civilisation, say their professors, is entirely a failure. The American may be a decent fellow, but he is not intelligent. No wonder this dreadful news sends the United States in thrills. It is a modest nation, but it did think that it was in the first class for intelligence, and then, as they say, "some." But the professors say no—not first, nor anything like it, and professors in the United States have an authority beyond our dreams. They are among the biggest noises. What they say goes.

ORIGIN OF THE TROUBLE.

The matter arose thus: During the war, as we have already been told, the American psychologists were allowed to carry out mental tests of the army. Some rivalry was heard about this at the time which it would be painful to repeat. Certain men of science who have not a reverent faith in the new psychology put it about that the tests proved the officers almost devoid of intelligence, but the other ranks quite bright. A professor of psychology at Princeton has completed an analysis of the records of 116,000 tests. He has classified the victims according to their nationality or country of origin, and he finds that the most intelligent people—with blushes we write it—are the English.

SCOTS COME SECOND.

The Scots only come second. Complaints about this must be addressed to Professor Carl C. Brigham, of Princeton. He did it. After the Scots come the Dutch, then the Germans, and (the sad truth is we have come to the fifth place) the Americans are seen at last. Of the lower ranks we will not give a list. Professor Brigham does not temper the wind to the shorn lamb. He tells his unhappy countrymen that "American intelligence is declining, and will proceed to decline at an accelerating rate as the racial admixture becomes more and more extensive." It is no use trying to do anything, for "if immigration were stopped now, the decline of American intelligence would still be inevitable." They have put too many elements into the melting-pot already.

SOME CONSOLATION.

Yet, with our blushing honours thick upon us, we venture to offer some consolation to unimpeachable America. The list of races is a little odd. We have the first eighteen. Among them the name of France does not appear. Only a very new psychologist could believe that the French have less intelligence than the Turk and the negro. Mr. Bernard Shaw would wish us to add that there must be gross errors in a class list which puts the Irish eleventh with the English first. It seems probable that the psychologists have got the nationalities mixed, or the tests. And what, after all, is intelligence? It is the sort of mind that a psychologist thinks intelligent; a mind like his own. Perhaps it is we, and not the Americans, who should be alarmed.

THE VOLSTEAD LAW.

MR. BORAH'S ATTACK ON GREAT BRITAIN.

Senator Borah, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, recently sent a telegram to the Committee of One Thousand for Law Enforcement, in which he said that the United States Government had as much right to demand that England should prevent her nationals from undermining the Volstead Law as England had to demand that Soviet Russia should stop her nationals from trying to undermine the British Government. He added:

"When Mr. Chamberlain sent his communication to the Soviet Government relative to the Zinovieff letter he stated to that Government, in substance, this correct principle: 'You either have a Government or you have not. You can either control your nationals in their effort to sow discord and violence among other peoples or you cannot.' Are we not entitled to say to the British Government: 'You have a Government or you have not. You can either control your nationals in their effort to break down a policy and plant murder and misery among other peoples or you cannot.'"

Senator Borah added that it was quite within the power of the British Government instantly to put an end to the activities of what he called "such moral pirates as co-operate with criminals in this country to violate the law and destroy a great national policy."

LESS HOME UNEMPLOYMENT.

The Secretary to the Ministry of Labour announced that the number of persons on December 15th, 1924, recorded on the registers of the employment exchanges in Great Britain was 1,168,500. This was 23,688 less than on December 8th, 1924, and 127,123 less than on December 31st, 1923.

THEATRE ROYAL.

Remember the Dates!

FEBRUARY 25th, 26th and 28th, at 9.30 p.m.

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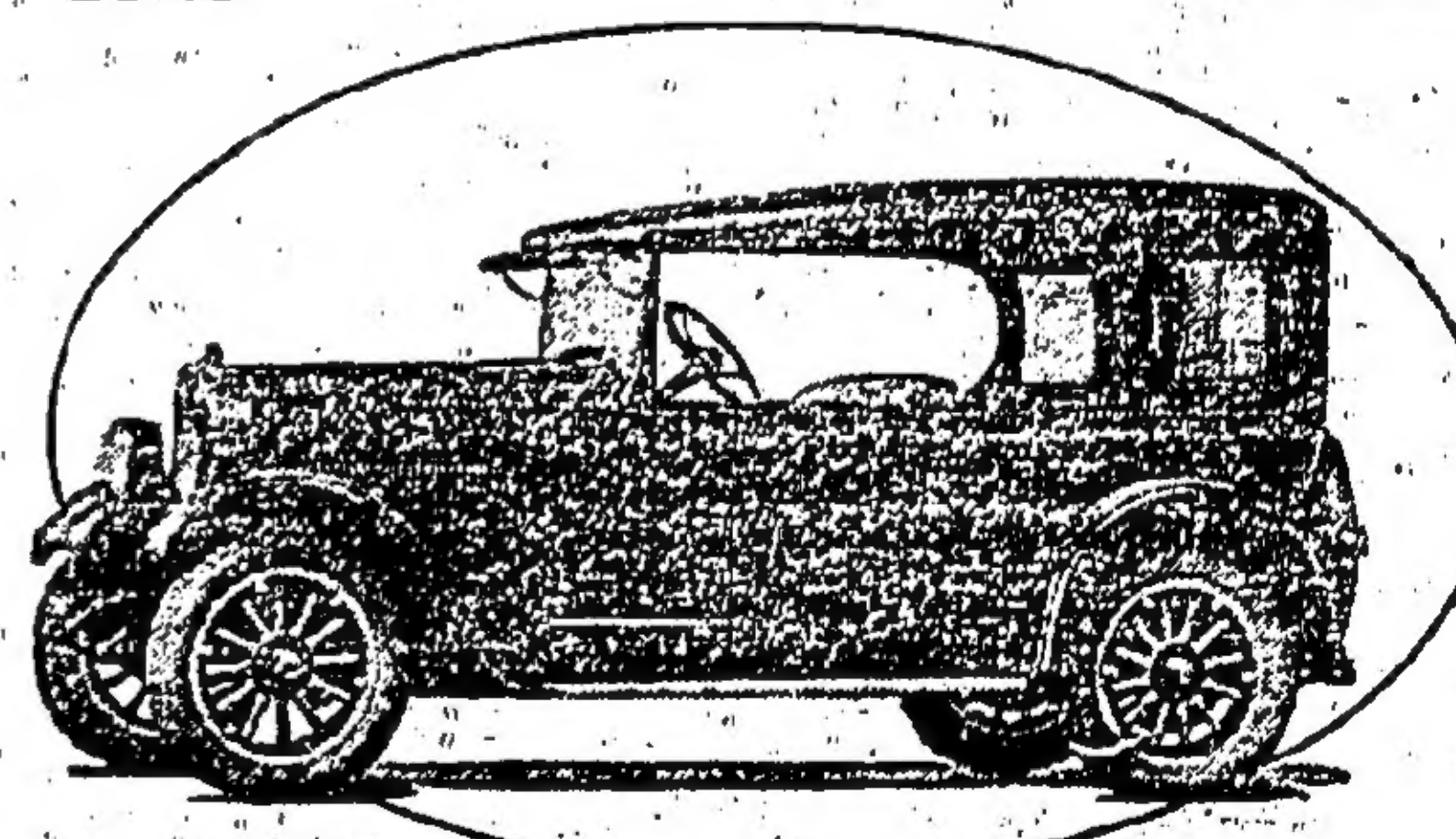
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HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Messrs. Benjamin & Potts in their
weekly share report dated February 20th,
say:—

Since our last report of the 14th inst.
there have been only two full working
days, the Stock Exchange having been
closed for the rest of the week on account
of the annual Race Meeting. The number
of transactions recorded has only
been on a small scale with slight variation
in prices.

Banks.—Hongkong & Shanghai Banks
have further improved and have changed
hands at \$1.200. They are quoted from
London \$151 (middle), a rise of 22 10.
over the week.

Marine and Fire Insurance. Unions
have been dealt in at \$255 to \$257. China
Underwriters have eased to \$1.20. There
are buyers of China Fires at \$1.05 and
Yangtzes at \$1.17. Cantons at \$1.35 and
Hongkong Fires at \$1.10 are unchanged.

Shipping.—"Star" Ferries have been
placed up to \$82. Douglas Steamships
at \$38, and Tugs and Lighters at \$4.50
are enquired for at quotations. Hong-
kong, Canton and Macao Steamboats
have declined to \$34, ex the dividend of
\$2 just paid.

Refineries.—China Sugars have experi-
enced a further set-back, the market
falling to \$77. Malabons at \$59 continue
quiet.

Oils and Mining.—"Shell" Transports
are wanted at 60/6 and Railways at 52/6.
Raubs are steady at \$3.30. Tronohs have
been neglected at 36/-. Langkats (Com-
bined) are quoted Tls. 22 normal.

Electric Companies.—Hongkong Elec-
trics are slightly lower and have been
booked at \$40 to \$40. China Lights
(Combined) are asked for at \$37, while
Hongkong Trams close firm at \$30.7.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hong-
kong and Whampoa Docks are weak and
can be obtained at \$141. Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharves further weakened and
were sold down to \$304, but the market
has since recovered to \$296.3 buyers.
Shanghai Docks at Tls. 113 mark a rise.
An interim dividend of Tls. 33 per share
has been declared by this Company.
Hongkong Wharves continue in request at
Tls. 210, while Engineerings have ad-
vanced to Tls. 8.30.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hong-
kong Lands have again come to business
at \$101, but close with sellers at \$93.
Hongkong Hotels (Old) are on offer at
\$18, while the "New" are quoted \$17.10
nominal. Realities are wanted at \$2.30.

Cotton Mills.—Ewas have further de-
clined and are obtainable at Tls. 11.93.
Shanghai Cottons (Old) at Tls. 601 and
Oriental at Tls. \$1.20 have not moved.

Miscellaneous.—Peak Trams (Old) have
been taken at \$23. Hongkong Develop-
ments have been put through at 3 cents
and continue in request. "Constructions"
are obtainable at \$8. Green Island
Cements (Combined) have been negoti-
ated at \$28. China Providents (Combined)
at \$401 have not moved. China Buses
have further strengthened and can be
placed at Tls. 121. There are buyers of
Canton legs at \$61. Lane, Crawford's at
\$19 and Mackintosh's at \$21.

Exchange.—The T.T. rate on London
today is 2/32 and on Shanghai 73.
Forward Settlement Days.—24th Feb-
ruary (Tuesday); 24th March (Tuesday);
and 28th April (Tuesday).

A REST-PAUSE EXPERIMENT.

Men employed at a fairly heavy pro-
cess paid by piece work have been known
to object to being called upon to rest
for a quarter of an hour in every hour
and have only been convinced of the
value of the plan (says Professor E. L.
Collis in *Industrial Hygiene*) when they
received higher earnings at the week-end.
Employers, on the other hand, are diffi-
cult to convince that when they pay
by time, rest-pauses do not reduce out-
put. The following instance may be
quoted from the heavy process of trench
digging during the war. Two squads
of fifteen men each were pitted one
against the other; the first squad was
set to dig their best all together. The
second squad was organised so that five
men dug for five minutes, then these five
rested for ten minutes, while another five
dug for five minutes; these latter five
then rested for ten minutes, while the
remaining five dug for five minutes; by
this time the first five were ready to
start again and so on; in this squad
only one-third of the men were digging
at any time, while two-thirds of the men
were resting, but they beat the other
squad easily. Yet the language of a rail-
way contractor who found two-thirds of
his navvies sitting smoking while one-
third dug, may be more readily imagined
than expressed in print.

MOVING A BRIDGE.

AN ENGINEERING FEAT IN VIENNA.

An interesting experiment has just
been made in Vienna. The old "Brieg-
brücke" across the Danube canal is
to be replaced by a large modern con-
struction for heavy traffic. As the new
bridge will occupy the present site of
the old bridge, the latter had to be
moved away a little.

The bridge was loosened from the
street at both ends, lifted and placed on
cars which ran on heavy iron rails.
Within an hour and a half seven hundred
tons were drawn up-stream for a dis-
tance of twenty metres. Comparatively
little human strength was necessary to
turn the four cranes, and the bridge
moved forward across wire-ropes stretch-
ed tightly. The movement was so slow
that one could not notice it, but in the
centre of the bridge a large clock showed
from one second to the next the move-
ments to the right and left. All de-
pendent on both sides advancing equally,
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PROSPECTS FOR FINAL DAY OF ANNUAL MEETING.

[BY AGENTS.]

The final day of Hongkong's Annual Race Meeting will commence at noon with the Hay and Corn Stakes, a 6-furlong race for "subs" of any season that have started at least twice this week and not won. There are altogether eleven races down for decision and smaller fields will probably be the order of the day.

In the first race, the field will probably include both King Canute and Langsat, subs of last year, in addition to Flying Star, Pansy Leaf, Gilbert, Joe, Urgent and one of the Taggart ponies and Aces Up.

Strictly on the book, Langsat should win if only he would put his heart into it. King Canute is little better in this respect and punters would be more certain of a "run for their money" by backing one of the Taggart ponies (Demon Boy or Jimmy Lad). Flying Star appears to have lost form during the last week.

For the second event, the following may be the post: The Bee, Primrose Leaf, Gypsy Love, Seattle, King George, Curiosity Shop, Wimmera, Auchencroch, Beauty Dahlia, Grey Cloud, Uncle Edward, Pansy Leaf, Ballymoney, Tom-mai, Gimlet.

A most difficult race to pick—perhaps the least I expect Grey Cloud to go very close. Wimmera, a week ago, would have been a pretty good bet, but he has disappointed sadly since. In the absence of Grey Cloud it might be advisable to stand Auchencroch, to win, with Wimmera and Gypsy Love for places.

The third event, the All Out Stakes, should give Mr. Bagman his first win at the meeting if Gyp is sent. Magnificent Dahlia, in the same stables, may be saddled instead. The next best may well prove Gold Leaf and King Johnnie. Dr. Kew may prefer to start Wimmera here instead of in the previous race. In either case, on his form at the meeting, he is not good enough to consider a reasonably sound investment. Clover Club and Rayfield may both go for the post, but neither can be recommended on recent performances.

The Tytan Handicap "A" class (one mile) is next on the list. Mowgli and Uncle Dick have each been allotted 122lbs.; Two Pairs 160lbs.; King Louis 159lbs.; Tadworth 158lbs.; Demon Boy 155lbs.; Nugget the same; King Ptolemy 154lbs.; Spaghetti 152lbs.; Joe and Flying Star 147lbs.; Grecian Parrot and Farran II 146lbs.; Scarecrow 143lbs.; and Jimmy Lad 140lbs.

Demon Boy, on his third in the Royal Naval Cup, behind Loch Rannoch and King Alfred, should win with little difficulty, but may be kept for the eighth event. Two Pairs and King Ptolemy may fill the other places.

The fifth event is the Hongkong Handicap "A" class (1 1/4 miles). Weights have been allotted to 24 ponies. The pick of the handicap is Booran with 156lbs., but I understand Mr. Beith does not intend to start any of the John Peel string except Grey Cloud (145lbs.). Other possible runners are: Spotted Sand (158lbs.); McKenzie (155lbs.); Rothea (155lbs.); Mystic Dahlia (153lbs.); Wimmera (149lbs.); Saracen (147lbs.); Arabian Parrot (145lbs.); Kagashima (138lbs.). For the winner, I shall depend on Mystic Dahlia, with Spotted Sand and McKenzie or Kagashima filling the places.

The sixth race is the Tytan Handicap "B" class (1 mile), which comprises the names of 17 "dud" "subs" at weights varying from Martlet (153lbs.) to Chiku (146lbs.). They appear to me in the following order: Duke of Orleans, A.B., Uncle Tom.

The Hongkong Handicap "B" class (1 1/4 miles) is next in order on the card. Weights have been allotted to 33 ponies, top-weight being Friarsfield (158lbs.). Excepting Loch Rannoch (not entered), we may well see a repetition of the last race on Wednesday as regards Carnation Leaf and The Wasp, with Grey Streak taking Loch Rannoch's place.

Next comes the championship for subscription griffins (1 1/4 miles) confined to winners and placed ponies only. I anticipate even if Demon Boy wins earlier in the day, he will defeat both Mowgli and Uncle Dick, while Poppy Leaf will have to be reckoned with, as may Tadworth. The race appears the most open one on the card in view of what each qualified pony has done. However, I must stand Demon Boy to win with Poppy Leaf and Uncle Dick filling the places.

The Lucky Stakes (one mile) may attract Fern Leaf, King Canute (if he does not win earlier), Rivergrass, Duke of Frisco, Magnificent Dahlia (if eligible), Langsat and Gaudie. Owing to the uncertainty of what will still be eligible, at the time of the race, I shall rely on Magnificent Dahlia, Rivergrass, Gaudie and Duke of Frisco in the order named.

The last two events are 6-furlong races for unplaced ponies for which punters must be guided by what they have witnessed during the past week.

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ALLEGED BANK THEFT.

CHARGE AGAINST COMPADORE'S CLERK.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, before Mr. J. R. Wood, Ngan Sui Chik, a Chinese, described as a cashier of the Societe Francaise De Gerance, appeared on remand in answer to the charge of the theft of \$6,000, in Straits Settlements currency, the property of the Bank.

Mr. M. H. Turner appeared to prosecute and Mr. M. K. Lo defended.

Outlining the case, Mr. Turner said that from time to time certain packets of Straits notes were sent by the Bank to their agents in Singapore. These packets were counted, packed in paper wrappings, sewn up and sealed in the compadore's department, in which defendant was employed. Defendant assisted in the counting of these notes, passing the various bundles to the European cashier. In January, five packets of notes were counted and sewn up and despatched to Singapore. Later, a cable was received from the Singapore agents stating that one of the packets contained nothing but old newspaper cuttings, telegraph forms and pages from children's exercise books. These were sent back and as a result of inquiries defendant was arrested. These cuttings, said Mr. Turner, were so carefully and finely cut that they were of the same size, breadth and weight as a bundle of Straits dollar notes. He would defy anyone looking at them, packed among other bundles of genuine notes, to distinguish that they were other than the real article. Certain pages of the exercise books had writing and signatures in the handwriting of the defendant's son and daughter. These children would be called to give evidence on that point, and if they did not he would bring their teachers to say that the writing was that of these children. His evidence against the defendant was that sitting at the table with the cashier and amongst the shroffs in the office, he had ample opportunity to substitute a packet of worthless paper, cut to the same size as genuine notes, in exchange for the real notes.

Mr. Jacques Mezieres, a cashier at the Bank, gave evidence bearing on Mr. Turner's statement and said that it was his duty to count the various currency into bundles containing a definite number of notes. Defendant assisted him and handed him the bundles to count, after which they were passed to the shroffs to pack, sew up and seal. After they were sealed, he affixed his initials to the packets before they were posted. He did it on this occasion to all five packets, but he could only identify four of the signatures on the returned packets as his. The other signature appeared to be a forgery.

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THE ENGINEERS' BALL.

SUCCESSFUL FUNCTION AT CITY HALL LAST NIGHT.

The annual ball of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong took place last night at the City Hall, and proved a very successful function, the guests numbering in the neighbourhood of 550.

The artistic scheme of decoration, although of a simple character, presented an exceedingly attractive and picturesque scene, under the soft glow of the electric illuminations.

An effective lattice work structure, representing an old English Castle, had been erected outside the usual entrance. Immediately above it affixed to the main building was a large gold-coloured propeller, surmounted by the motto of the Engineers and Shipbuilders' Institution "Ubique," picked out in white letters. A searchlight in a building opposite playing upon it, heightened its effect. Masses of fernery and festoons of flags and bunting were placed in artistic profusion in every available space in all the rooms used. Between an avenue of greenery and ferns guests walked through the arched covered entrance into the reception hall, which was tastefully decorated in similar style.

At the summit of the first flight of steps leading to the ballroom was a beautifully illuminated replica of the motto "Ubique" with the phoenix, and immediately facing it and hanging over the stairway was the actual framed motto with the phoenix. Both designs were brilliantly and prettily illuminated. On the walls of the stairway hung lacquer-work shields with the names of four engineering celebrities, namely, Napier, Rankine, Watts and Stephenson.

Both the St. George's and the St. Andrew's rooms were used for dancing, and in the former was erected on the wall a decorative crest with the initial letters of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong, picked out in electric light.

Adjoining the ballrooms were two sitting-out-rooms and lounges; while the verandahs had been effectively screened in with matting, and were utilised for sitting out between the dances. A buffet was also situated on this floor.

The Decorations Committee certainly deserve the highest commendation on their very successful efforts. The effect of the decorations was heightened by the lighting scheme which was tastefully carried out by the Hongkong Electric Light Company.

The Hongkong Hotel Orchestra played for most of the dances. For the eight-some reels, pipers from the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps Scottish Company provided the music.

Dancing commenced at 9.30 p.m. and continued until after 2 a.m. The programme was as under:—

Extra Fox Trot Jubilee Blues.
1. Lancers Amelia.
2. One Step I Love You.
3. Fox Trot Out of Sight, Out of Mind.
4. Eight-some Reel

D'ell Among the Tailors.
5. Fox Trot Hawaiian Dream Girl.
6. Fox Trot Why did I Kiss that Girl?
7. Waltz Somehow.
8. Fox Trot May Time.
9. Waltz What'll I Do?
10. One Step Bobbed Hair.
11. Fox Trot Somebody Stole My Gal.

12. Waltz School-Day Sweet Heart.
13. Lancers Trumpet Quadrille.
14. Fox Trot

It Aint Gonna Rain No Mo'.
15. Waltz Why should I Cry over you.
16. Fox Trot

Oh! Horsey Keep your Tail up.
17. Eight-some Reel Torryburn Lassies.
18. Fox Trot Never Mind.
19. Fox Trot I never had a Mummy.
20. One Step Oh Eva.
21. Fox Trot Farewell Blues.

Extra Fox Trot I'm Satisfied.

The supper room was arranged in the centre of the Theatre Royal. A carpeted stairway led from the entrance hall to the official supper table on the stage. This table was arranged for 24 in a semi-circle, and tastefully decorated with a plenitude of choice bowls of sweet peas; while by the footlights, the whole of the front of the stage was literally one mass of flowering geraniums. Below the stage the remainder of the supper tables were placed in groups.

Those invited and who sat at the official table were: H.E. the Governor (Sir Edward Stubbs, K.C.M.G.), the President (Mr. W. Russell), H.E. Sir Allan Everett, R.N., H.E. Major-General and Mrs. Leard, the Hon. Sir Claud Severn, K.B.E., and Lady Severn, H.E. Sir Henry Gollan, Commodore Stirling R.N., and Mrs. Stirling, the Hon. Mr. H. T. and Mrs. Croasay, the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Lieut. Commander Conway Hake, R.N.R., Mr. G. M. Young, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. F. Beith, Mrs. J. Reed, Mrs. R. M. Dyer, Mrs. Hunter, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Greig, Mrs. Harman, and Mrs. Adams. The Hongkong Hotel were responsible for the catering.

The Sub-Committees who carried out the arrangements for the dance were as under:—

Invitations.—Messrs. J. Reid (convenor), R. M. Dyer, K. E. Greig, P. T. Farroll, W. Russell, R. Hunter, S. Baker and E. Cook.

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FIGHTING AROUND CANTON.

TAMSHUI AND POKLO REPORTED TAKEN BY SUN'S FORCES.

The Canton Gazette states:

With the capture of Tamshui and Poklo, the offensive taken by the Government troops against the Chen Chiung Ming rebels is being pressed and now enters an interesting and more exciting phase.

Control of the Railway line being fully assured, the movement of men and supplies is being accelerated.

Important developments are promised in the near future.

THE CAPTURE OF POKLO.

As briefly reported yesterday, Poklo has been captured by our forces. A later telegram to hand gives fuller particulars. The message states:—

"Our forces under the command of Generals Chai Wai, Yang Tai and Hsu Tak proceeded to Poklo on Tuesday morning. The enemy forces commanded by General Hung Chao Lin were attacked, and a desperate battle ensued.

"Our troops fought bravely. The enemy troops were severely defeated and forced to retreat to Haogshui, Muiwu and the city of Waichow.

"Poklo was captured at about one o'clock on Tuesday afternoon. Many rifles and large quantities of military supplies were captured."

ENEMY'S ATTEMPTS TO RECOVER TAMSHUI.

The enemy troops (which had been holding Tamshui), after their defeat by our forces, have since attempted to re-capture Tamshui, which from a military point of view, is one of their most important defensive places. On the 18th inst. enemy troops, numbering about two thousand, launched their first counter-attack on our forces for the re-capture of Tamshui. The counter-attack was defeated and the enemy retreated to Pingshan. Upon being reinforced by two thousand men from Waichow, the enemy launched a second counter-attack on our forces. After desperate fighting the enemy troops were driven back and forced to retreat to Wingwu.

The number of the enemy troops was then increased to eight thousand and they challenged our forces, in a third counter-attack. Another desperate battle ensued. Again, the enemy troops were defeated, and driven off to Wingwu.

Upon receipt of reports from his brigade commanders, General Hsu Chung Chi, Commander-in-Chief of the Cantonese Army, left his field headquarters for Tamshui, to direct important military operations from Tamshui in concert with other allied commanders.

Fighting is expected in Pingshan soon.

PAKMONGFA CAPTURED.

Having captured Tamshui, our forces proceeded to Pakmongfa, where the enemy troops, forming part of the command of General Hung Chao Lin, were attacked. After some brisk fighting, Pakmongfa was captured by the Government troops on the 17th inst.

More than two thousand rifles were captured.

GUNNER CHARGED.

ALLEGED FALSE PRETENCES.

Before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, Gunner G. M. Ottaway, R.A., was charged with having between the 2nd and 11th February attempted fraudulently to obtain \$5 each from four different persons in Shing On Lane, Hingham. He was further charged with having impersonated a military doctor.

Defendant was represented by Mr. R. A. Wadson. Preliminary evidence was found to the effect that defendant was found in one of the houses immediately after a complaint had been made to the police. In statements he gave a detailed account of his movements on the dates when he was supposed to have visited the houses. He was in that particular house that night owing having fallen from his bicycle and had gone there to wash his hands.

The prosecution alleged that Ottaway had given what he professed to be medical treatment to some of the women inmates of the house. He was questioned by an inspector that night in the house and had given his proper name and address but said nothing whatsoever concerning the bicycle accident which he referred to later in his statements.

His Worship ordered a remand until Tuesday next, bail being allowed in \$500. The defendant was however unable to find this amount.

Decorations.—Messrs. E. Cook (convenor), V. Kerley, J. H. Donithorne, J. M. Ramsay, and T. S. Morrison.

Wine and Supper.—Messrs. G. J. Harman (convenor), J. E. Henson, W. J. Hill, P. T. Farrell, G. W. Paton, D. McMurray, G. M. Shaw, R. W. Cameron, R. Johnston, A. J. Block, and L. J. Blackburn.

Dance.—Messrs. T. S. Morrison (convenor), J. H. Donithorne, S. Hope, J. Farnie, J. B. Hamilton, A. Webster, R. Williamson, J. H. Kearne, and J. McCloud.

Card Room.—Messrs. J. Ormiston (convenor), A. Simpson, P. W. Ramsay, and T. H. Brayfield.

Cloak Room.—Messrs. B. L. Frost (convenor), J. E. Henson, R. Johnston, T. S. Morrison, and H. McArthur.

The Hon. Secretary was Mr. W. Brown.



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HONGKONG ANGLING CLUB.

THE FIRST ANNUAL MEETING will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. JAMES, MATTHEW & Co., Ltd., on MONDAY, 2nd MARCH, 1925, at 3.30 P.M. E. R. C. HORNELL, Hon. Secretary.

[1897]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING.

CUPS Have Been Presented by B. D. F. BRISTOL, Esq., for Winning Owners of the FANLING HANDICAP A. B. & Co. OMASS at the Meeting to be held on 21st INSTANT.

[1896]

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

THE DRAW FOR OPEN EVENTS and CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP is Posted in the Pavilion.
Play Commences on MONDAY, 2nd MARCH, First Two Rounds of All Events to be Completed by 21st MARCH.
Courts may now be Booked at the Pavilion.

[1894]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S STEAMER "SOUDAN".

ARRIVED HONGKONG ON 20th FEBRUARY, 1925.
FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO & STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each Consignment will be sorted out. Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo from Persian Gulf, B.S.N. and B. & P.S.N. Co.'s Steamers.
Optional Goods will be landed here, unless Instructions have been given to the contrary 6 hours before arrival of the Steamer.
Goods not cleared within 8 days, including date of arrival will be subject to Rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD & DOUGLAS at 10 a.m. on Mondays and Thursdays, within the free storage period.
All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 13th March, or they will not be recognized.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown.

MAKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 20th February, 1925. [1893]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

CONSIGNEES of Company's Steamer "ANTOLOGY" are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged, into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to Terms and Conditions of Storage at Holt's Wharf.

The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 20th February.
Optional Cargo will be landed, unless Notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival.
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the free storage period.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 28th February, will be subject to Rent.
All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 12th March, or they will not be recognized.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 20th February, 1925. [1895]

S.S. "ANGKOR."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from MARSEILLE, LES, etc., also Cargo from MARSEILLES ex s.s. "AMAZON", in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless Intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, requesting it to be landed here.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underwriter. Goods remaining undelivered after Monday, the 23rd instant, at Noon, will be subject to Rent and Landing Charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the Thursday, 26th instant, or they will not be recognized.
All damaged Packages will be examined on Monday, the 23rd instant, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. GODDARD & DOUGLAS.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.

R. RODENFUSCH, Agents.
Hongkong, 12th February, 1925. [1884]

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25, British Consulate, SHANGHAI. [1709]

INTIMATIONS

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, 21st INSTANT.

By Order of the Committee,
J. W. K. W., Secretary.

[1870]

NOTICE.

THE Underigned hereby give Notice to the Public that they have, under Date 19th INSTANT, purchased the Business, comprising Goodwill and Entire Stock of Goods, heretofore carried on by VIOLENTE ATENIZA, at No. 54, NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON. The Business will in future be conducted by Us under the Style of "VIOLENTE ATENIZA & CO."

W. C. LEE,
W. T. LEE.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1925. [1891]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 21st FEBRUARY, 1925, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1924.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from Monday, the 9th February, to SATURDAY, the 21st February, 1925 (both days inclusive), during which Period No Transfer of Shares can be registered. By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. H. BALLOU, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1925. [1892]

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

THE FORTY-FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at St. George's Buildings, Charter Road, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 26th FEBRUARY, 1925, at 11 o'clock A.M. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ended 31st December, 1924, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Monday, the 16th February, 1925, until Thursday, the 26th February, 1925, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, 7th February, 1925. [1847]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

THE THIRTY-SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, St. George's Buildings, Charter Road, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 3rd MARCH, 1925, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Account and Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1924, and declaring a Dividend.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Wednesday, the 18th February, 1925, until Tuesday, the 3rd March, 1925, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

[1860]

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL SHOW OF FLOWERS and VEGETABLES will be held at VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS on THURSDAY, 5th MARCH, 1925. ENTRIES will DEFINITELY CLOSE at 1 P.M. on WEDNESDAY, 25th FEBRUARY, 1925, at the Hon. Secretary's Office, but intending Exhibitors are Requested to SEND IN THEIR ENTRIES AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.

SCHEDULED HAVE BEEN SENT TO PATRONS, LIFE MEMBERS AND ALL MEMBERS WHO HAVE PAID THEIR SUBSCRIPTION FOR THE CURRENT YEAR.

MEMBERS who have Not Yet Paid their Subscriptions and ALL THOSE who wish to Join the SOCIETY are kindly Requested to Send \$5 IMMEDIATELY to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. E. B. C. HORNELL, c/o Messrs. JAMES, MATTHEW & Co., Ltd.

[1853]

LLOYD TRIESTINO S.N. CO.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship "LACONIA" FROM TRIESTE, VENICE, BRINDISI, PORT SAID, MOSCOW, ALEXANDRIA, COLOMBO, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless Notice to the contrary be given before 17th inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 23rd inst. will be subject to Rent.
All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 4th prox., or they will not be recognized.
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 23rd inst., at 10 a.m., by our Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD & DOUGLAS.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong 17th February, 1925. [1883]

TO LET.

STORAGE SPACE on Marine Lots with Godowns and Chinese Houses TO LET from 1st DECEMBER.

W. S. BAILEY & CO., LTD., Kowloon Bay. [1709]

INTIMATIONS

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.
RACE MEETING 1925,
FEBRUARY 21st.

TICKETS of Admission to the Public Enclosure may be obtained from Messrs. KELLY & WALKER or at the Gate. Price—\$3.00 per day.
Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform \$1.00 per day.
No One Admitted without a Ticket to be shown to the Ticket Inspector at the Race.

LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
Treasurers.

[1897]

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.
RACE MEETING 1925,
FEBRUARY 21st.

MEMBERS' Badges of Admission are now ready and may be obtained by those Members who have not already received them, from Messrs. LINSTEAD & DAVIS, Alexandra Buildings.

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

[1898a]

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.
RACE MEETING 1925,
FEBRUARY 21st.

THE Stewards request the pleasure of the presence of the Ladies at the Races, Hongkong, February 2nd, 1925. [1898b]

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.
RACE MEETING 1925,
FEBRUARY 21st.

PASSES for Servants will be issued on application to Messrs. LINSTEAD & DAVIS, Alexandra Buildings. No Servants will be allowed inside the Enclosure of the Race Course during Race Days WITHOUT TICKETS.

These Tickets are only available for Servants while in attendance on their employers or when on duty at the various Stables.
Any Chinese found loitering about with Servants' Passes in their possession will forfeit them and holders thereof will be removed from the Enclosure.

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

[1897c]

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.
RACE MEETING 1925,
FEBRUARY 21st.

MEMBERS have the Privilege of introducing Two Non-members to the Members' Enclosure.
A limited number of tickets are available and may be obtained from Messrs. LINSTEAD & DAVIS, Alexandra Buildings on or before SATURDAY the 14th of FEBRUARY, 1925, Price \$10.00 per day or \$30.00 for the Meeting.

LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
Treasurers.

[1897d]

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.
RACE MEETING 1925,
FEBRUARY 21st.

DRAFT PROGRAMMES and ENTRY FORMS for THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21st, 1925 (weather permitting), may be obtained at the Race Office, Hongkong Club and Raceway, BAY TERACE.

Entries will Close at 12 o'clock Noon on MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23rd, 1925.
Handicaps will be published on FRIDAY, February 27th, 1925. [1891]

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.
RACE MEETING 1925,
FEBRUARY 21st.

MEMBERS are hereby advised that the BADGES issued to them for the ANNUAL RACE MEETING will also be available for the 1st EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on the 29th of FEBRUARY, 1925.

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BIRTH.

HENDRY.—At Shanghai, on February 11th, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hendry, a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

HALL.—At Shanghai, on February 11th, DAVID, eldest son of the late Rev. Mr. Hall and Mrs. Hall, of Paisley, to ELEANORE, youngest daughter of Mr. JAMES AMOR HALL, and Mrs. Hall, of Shanghai.

DEATH.

GRANTON.—At Haichow, on February 13th, Mrs. B. THOMAS GRANTON, of the Southern Presbyterian Mission, Haichow, Kiangsu.

Hongkong Office: 14, Charter Road.
London Office: 121, Fleet Street, E.C.

The Daily Press

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 21st, 1925.

ANTI-PIRACY MEASURES.

The letter from the Government to the Chamber of Commerce on the subject of local measures against piracy which was read by the Hon. Mr. HOLYOAK at the annual meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Company on Thursday makes it quite clear that the Government of the Colony is not by any means out of sympathy with the agitation for the strengthening of naval patrols to the extent that has been supposed in some quarters. We have it now stated authoritatively that H.E. The Governor, "has urged that the Local Commissioners of the Admiralty should in the interests of British trade and prestige, so strengthen the naval forces here as to provide for the establishment of a system of patrols which will be adequate to safeguard ships from external attack, and when coupled with reasonable measures of self-protection on board, to make attempts at piracy within too hazardous to be attractive."

It is true this representation was sent to London by mail apparently little more than a week ago, as a dispatch covering the "Minority Report" of the Committee appointed to consider means of strengthening existing measures; but the fact that the Hongkong Government itself already provides four launches for patrol work—launches which are manned by naval ratings—is very good evidence that it recognises the vital importance of a

patrol system. The recommendation which has just been made to the Admiralty by the Hongkong Government is satisfactory so far as it goes, but it cannot, we imagine, give unqualified satisfaction to the Shipping interests identified with the "Minority Report" since it leaves open the question as to what are to be deemed "reasonable measures of self-protection on board." The whole argument of the "Minority Report" is that the measures at present imposed on shipowners are too onerous; that the grilles are a real source of danger, and that the armed Indian guards which the Regulations compel ships to carry could and should be dispensed with. This argument derives strong support from the memorandum of the Senior Naval Officer in charge of the West River Patrols who expresses the opinion that "if five more armed launches were provided and armed by R.N. Officers and men, then the carrying of large armed guards and the sailing in convoy could be abolished and the system of grilles could be very much decreased also." There is very little doubt that the same Naval Officer is justified in saying that "an efficient service of patrols would not merely protect commerce from attacks from without, but would also act as an absolute deterrent to attacks from within." It will have been noticed from the cables that the First Lord of the Admiralty has stated in the House of Commons this week that "the question of the necessity for additional naval protection is being considered." It will doubtless be "still under consideration" by the time the full text of the "Minority Report" reaches the Admiralty, but we should be surprised if a careful study of the whole document, coupled with the Governor's strong recommendation, does not quickly convince the Lords Commissioners that a strengthening of the naval forces on this patrol work is an imperative necessity "in the interest of British trade and prestige."

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Lieut.-Commander Roland Leads, of E.M.S. *Heathcote* and Miss Betty Nora Dawson, of Shanghai.

The Total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending February 7th amounted to 11,229 tons, and the sales to 48,137 tons.

Shareholders in the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation are reminded of the annual meeting which takes place at 11.30 this morning at the City Hall.

The Rev. H. Copley Moyle, Senior Chaplain of St. John's Cathedral, leaves the Colony this morning by the *Siberia Maru* for Home via America on eight months' leave.

The return of notifiable diseases in the Colony for the 24 hours ended on February 19th shows 2 cases of small-pox, 1 case of diphtheria, and 1 case of cerebrospinal fever, all Chinese.

In a fight, said to be of Triad Society origin, which occurred near the Fire Station, Praya East, on Thursday night, four Chinese of the Royal Engineers were stabbed, two sustaining serious injuries. It was stated that their assailants were fifteen in number.

In recognition of his having completed 40 years service with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, the Portuguese staff of the Head Office have presented Mr. C. F. de Carvalho with a silver tea service. Mr. Carvalho, accompanied by his wife, son, and his sister (Miss Edith Carvalho) will leave for Europe on the s.s. *President Pierce* on February 29th.

Under the auspices of the Netherlands community in Hongkong, the interesting film, "Netherlands," or "Holland," descriptive of the country, its people, customs and industries, etc., was screened for the benefit of the Children at the Helena May Institute yesterday evening. A full description of this film, when it was exhibited earlier in the month at the Helena May Institute, has previously appeared in the *Daily Press*. At yesterday evening's exhibition of it, there was again an excellent attendance and the picture was much enjoyed.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE RENTS RESTRICTION ORDINANCE.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS".]

SIR,—In reading "Sub-Tenant's" letter I quite agree with him that the Rents Ordinance protects none of the coolie class, and the only class who benefit by it in the long run, are the protected principal tenants. Let these folks or the members of the Tenants Association who still enjoy the liberty of the Ordinance come out in the open market and feel the actual prices. Why not have fair play? Why should we have the Rents Ordinance, when about three-quarters or half of the tenants in this Colony are still paying sky-high prices?

COOLIE TENANTS.

Hongkong, February 20th, 1925.

INDO-CHINA STEAMERSHORE.

"FOO SHING" AGROUND ON THE LAMMOCKS.

HOLD LEAKING BADLY.

News was received in Hongkong yesterday afternoon to the effect that the Indo-China steamship *Foo Shing*, which left Swatow for Shanghai at 8 p.m. on Thursday, went ashore on Lamcock Rocks. The No. 1 hold started to leak badly, and it was stated that there were ten feet of water in the hold.

As soon as the message of distress was received, arrangements were made for the Kowloon Dock Company's tug *Henry Kenrick* to proceed to the spot and render assistance.

CANTON NEWS.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

THE CARE OF THE INDIGENT.

When two parades passed each other on the Bund on February 17th, one was that of students belonging to the Kuomintang agitating for the rigid control of Christian institutions and the other was that of aged, blind, and infirm, people led by Catholic sisters, begging for food. It may be recalled that early in 1921, the Canton Government, placed the Government homes for the aged, blind, and infirm, having more than 2,000 inmates in all, under the care of the French Mission, promising to make appropriations for their maintenance. Since the internecine war started on January 10th, 1923, government appropriations have been most irregular and the arrears now due to the homes, it is stated, amount to more than \$220,000. The French Mission has done everything it could in the last two years to maintain the homes, despite the lack of support from the Government. The condition has become such that the means of the French Mission for the purpose are now exhausted, and some inmates, with the permission of the Catholic sisters, have resorted to begging on the streets.

POLITICAL SITUATION IN CHINA.

[FROM THE "DAILY BULLETIN".]

DR. SUN YAT SEN.

REMOVAL FROM HOSPITAL CAUSES NO RELAPSE.

PEKING, February 19th.

Dr. Kreig, who is attending Dr. Sun Yat Sen, has issued a bulletin saying that the removal of Dr. Sun Yat Sen from hospital to a private residence was effected without difficulty. The patient, who had a good night, feels more comfortable to-day, and his temperature is normal and pulse 104, and his appetite is improving.

REORGANISATION CONFERENCE.

TUAN CHI JUI IN ADDRESS TO DELEGATES.

PEKING, February 19th.

Tuan Chi Jui attended the meeting of the Reorganisation Conference this afternoon. Addressing the Conference, which was attended by 109 delegates, Tuan Chi Jui said he hoped that the readjustment of the military system would be carried out. The Conference decided to defer the discussion of the military rehabilitation proposals pending the introduction of a Bill by the War Minister, and proceeded to consider plans for calling the National Conference.

CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

H.M. THE KING.
NO GROUND FOR ANXIETY
REGARDING HEALTH.

LONDON, February 20th.

The bulletin, issued at 9.45 this morning, reads: "Despite a somewhat restless night, His Majesty is making slow progress."

The Doctors were somewhat longer with the King this morning and the bulletin was not issued officially until after 10 o'clock. The lateness of issue caused anxiety lest progress had not been as favourable as yesterday. Happily, there is no ground for anxiety, as the only unfavourable feature is restlessness on account of bronchial trouble.

BACK TO POLITICS.

M. CAILLAUX SIGNIFIES HIS
RETURN TO FRAY.

PARIS, February 20th.

M. Caillaux signified his return to political life last evening, when he spoke at a banquet in his honour, which was attended by 2,000 persons, including two members of the Government.

M. Caillaux defended his policy, which had always been based on preventing war through ententes and agreements, with all great nations, which naturally involve concessions. The men, who governed in war-time, had not contemplated the great policy of an entente with the vanquished. If a different policy had been adopted, they might have secured a peace which would have given security as well as reparations. In his opinion, the Anglo-French entente is the gradual suppression of all peoples in Europe, an essential condition to political reconstruction. France's debt account is so much in excess of the credit, they might be compelled to pay the Allies more than they received from reparations. In his opinion, the Nationalists had not seized all the opportunities offered of settling up inter-allied accounts. Nevertheless, the British Note promised a notable diminution of their debt. He hoped discussions thereabout would continue.

M. Caillaux, in conclusion, eulogised M. Herriot's incomparable services in restoring the European atmosphere and driving back the spectre of war.

FRENCH FINANCE.

M. CLEMENTEL FINDS REMEDY
FOR DIFFICULTIES.

PARIS, February 20th.

In the Chamber of Deputies to-day, M. Clementel said the remedy for France's financial difficulties lay in the essentially patient effort and saving hard work of the French people.

The Government proposes to devote 20 per cent. of the Dawes annuities to the creation of a sinking fund for amortisation of the public debt. He said he has had a semi-official promise that a loan of \$100,000,000 could be launched in the United States after the vote on the budget. The improvement of the franc's value is essential in order to reduce the burden of the foreign debt. France does not repudiate her debts but asks only that account be taken of the conditions under which they were contracted and sufficient breathing space be granted to enable the franc to recover. —*flava*.

BESSARABIAN QUESTION.
SOVIET ANXIETY AS REGARDS
JAPAN AND ITALY.

Moscow, February 20th.

In an article in the *Isvestia*, dealing with the Bessarabian question, M. Rakovsky says the Rumanian Government's request to Japan and Italy to ratify the Bessarabian Convention of 1920, is now legally and politically unjustifiable. He points out that Britain and France ratified the Convention before the resumption of diplomatic relations with the Soviet. But it will be unprecedented if Japan and Italy, having resumed normal relations with the Soviet, should ignore that fact and enter into agreement with Rumania for the disposal of Soviet territory.

RUSSIAN CROWN JEWELS.
ITALIAN BANK DENIES REPORT
OF PURCHASE.

Rome, February 20th.

The Italian Bank denies the report, tabled yesterday, that it had purchased (from the Soviet) some of the Russian Crown jewels.

EARLIER CABLES.

DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE.
DISCUSSION IS POSTPONED
UNTIL MARCH.

LONDON, February 19th.

In the House of Commons, Commander Kenworthy (Lib., Central Hull), asked whether the Disarmament Conference had been abandoned or only postponed.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, replied that all the discussions on matters arising from the Geneva Protocol which were to have been considered at Rome had been postponed for three months until March, with a corresponding postponement of all subsequent dates.

Commander Kenworthy—There is, therefore, a chance of holding a Disarmament Conference in September? Mr. Chamberlain—The position is that each item on the programme is postponed for three months.

LATEST CABLES.

POSITION OF FRANCE.

PARIS, February 20th.

L'Echo de Paris declares France would stand to lose most in the new naval disarmament conference, at which France would be faced by Japan and America, who would be in agreement to use their naval hegemony.

France could only participate in such a conference, if she had her rights recognised before hand, in a preliminary agreement.

LOAN FOR POLAND.

FIRST INSTALMENT SUBSCRIBED
IN A FEW HOURS.

WARSAW, February 20th.

The Ministry of Finance, in a communication, states the first instalment of \$15,000,000 towards the Polish loan of \$50,000,000 from America was subscribed in a few hours. The remainder will be subscribed before August 1st. The bonds, bearing 8 per cent. interest, issued at 95, are quoted on the New York Stock Exchange at 95½.

UNION OF SOVIETS.

LOCAL ELECTIONS ARE PROVING
A FAILURE.

Moscow, February 20th.

According to *Russia Agency* reports from different districts, the Union announces the failure of elections to local Soviets, owing to an insufficient percentage of the electorate voting. The elections to the whole of the Novonikolayevsk Government have been annulled as under 35 per cent. of the electorate voted. New elections have been ordered.

THE WORLD'S OIL.

DOCTOR MANTNER ESTIMATES
OUTPUT.

AMSTERDAM, February 20th.

In an article in the *Dutch Economic Review*, dealing with the world's oil production in 1924, Dr. Mantner estimates the Royal Dutch production of 1924 will show an increase of 800,000 to 1,000,000 tons. The difference will probably be neutralised by the production of the United States, so the production of 1924 will not differ much from 1923.

MALABAR HILL OUTRAGE.

Bombay, February 20th.

The two men arrested in connection with the Malabar Hill outrage, including Abdul Latif, have been released.

EARLIER CABLES.

TROUBLE AT CLYDEBANK.

FACTORS DECIDE TO SUSPEND
EVICTIONS.

LONDON, February 19th.

The Clydebank factors have decided to suspend the evictions during the sitting of the Rents Commission in order to preserve a peaceful atmosphere. A further condition is that the Housing Associations cease their activities, including street and other meetings and the distribution of circulars in connection with the dispute.

LATEST CABLES.

OBITUARY.

MAJOR-GENERAL SARTORIUS, V.C.

LONDON, February 20th.

The death is announced of Major-General Euston Henry Sartorius, V.C., C.B. [The late Major-General Sartorius was born at Cintra, Portugal, in 1844, the third son of the late Admiral of the Fleet Sir George R. Sartorius, G.C.B. He was educated at the Royal Naval School, New Cross, at Woolwich and at the R.M.C. at Sandhurst. He joined the 93rd Regiment in 1862. He gained the Victoria Cross during the Afghan War, for leading the attack and taking a hill in possession of the Ghazis at Shahjui.]

EARLIER CABLES.

OPIUM CONFERENCE.
VERY POWERFUL BLOW STRUCK
AT DRUG EVIL.

GENEVA, February 19th.

Ten States, including Great Britain, Japan, Netherlands and Siam, have signed the Convention and Protocol for the control of the international traffic in drugs.

The documents will remain open for signature till September 30th. M. Zahle said that the Conference had not made any claims that it had been a complete success. On the other hand, it had been recognised that it had left unsolved questions which could not be solved for years, possibly decades. The Conference, however, had struck a very powerful blow at the drug evil, and had greatly strengthened the Hague Convention.

M. Zahle said he regretted the withdrawal of the United States, which by its boldness and devotion had given a supreme impetus to the whole campaign against drugs. He agreed with Mr. Porter's statement that the drug problem could only be solved by international co-operation.

Other speakers, including Sir Malcolm Delevingne and Dr. Sugimura, paid a warm tribute to the officials of the League and to M. Zahle's patience and impartiality.

FRANCE WANTS LOAN.

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE BLANTON
OPPOSES FLOTATION.

PARIS, February 19th.

The Minister of Finance, M. Clementel, announced in the Chamber that the Government intended to conclude a foreign loan after the Budget is passed, and that the United States had already promised a loan of \$100,000,000.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

MR. BLANTON'S OPPOSITION.

WASHINGTON, February 19th.

In the House of Representatives, Mr. Thomas Blanton introduced a resolution designed to prevent the flotation of a loan to France or to any other nation that had failed to reach an agreement for funding its war debts.

The resolution also provided that the machinery of the Federal Reserve Board would be operated in enforcing the measure.

CANADIAN SHIPPING.

TEN SHIPS PROVIDED UNDER
ANNUAL SUBSIDY.

OTTAWA, February 19th.

The text of an agreement was laid on the table in the House of Commons between Sir William Peterson and the Government, providing for a fleet of ten ships for a Canadian Atlantic service under Government control of rates in consideration of an annual subsidy of \$275,000.

The agreement provides for a ten year contract. The preamble recites that the Government have been receiving continuous representations respecting ocean transportation difficulties and the uncertainty of rates indiscriminately imposed on exported Canadian goods and shipping by combines. These rates also affect imports, and the Government accordingly have resolved to adopt means to prevent any unreasonable overcharge.

The new ships must be operating within eighteen months. Meanwhile, six subsidised ships will begin operations on June 15th. The company must carry immigrants at rates to be fixed by the Government, and carry mails free on the inauguration of a passenger service. The Government are entitled to contract similarly with other companies.

U.S. PROHIBITION.

SERIOUS CHARGES MADE
AGAINST REVENUE OFFICERS.

BOSTON, February 19th.

The members of the crew of the *Marjorie Beckman* deposed in the Federal Court that the prize crew from the revenue cutter *Tampa* looted the *Marjorie Beckman* after seizure of the vessel and held a drunken carousal on board. The *Marjorie Beckman's* mate said that he was imprisoned on board the *Tampa* for 32 hours, and when he returned to the *Marjorie Beckman* later she "looked like a dump, and there were broken cases of liquor everywhere." He added that much of his private property had been stolen.

"LUSITANIA" CLAIMS.

WASHINGTON, February 19th.

The umpire of the German-American Mixed Claims Commission has decided that Germany is under obligation to make compensation for damages suffered by American citizens who are dependants of descendants of the British subjects whose lives were lost in the sinking of the *Lusitania*.

FAR EASTERN CABLE
NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MANILA TRAM FATALITY.

COLONEL HERRING AND MAJOR
HUNTER KILLED.

MANILA, February 20th.

Five persons were killed and fourteen injured when an electric tram on Corregidor Island, in the military reservation, jumped the track and overturned this morning. The dead include Lieut. Col. Herring and Major Hunter.

RUSSO-JAPAN AGREEMENT.

PREPARATIONS TO HAND OVER
SAKHALIN TO SOVIET.

MOSCOW, February 20th.

The Soviet Government has approved the presentation of the Japanese Treaty to the Central Executive for ratification. The Japanese committee has departed for Sakhalin in order to prepare for the work of handing over Sakhalin to the Soviet Authorities. The Japanese ratification of the Russo-Japan Agreement is expected shortly.

JAPANESE RADICALS.

PEACE PRESERVATION BILL
FOUND NECESSARY.

TOKYO, February 20th.

The Peace Preservation Bill has been referred to a Committee. During the debate in the Diet, the Home Minister declared the enactment was necessitated by the serious growth of radical activities, especially in labour circles. The critics of the Bill asserted the terms of the measure were very vague and would result in suppression of freedom of speech.

SEIZURE OF S.S. "CHICHUEN."

UNITED STATES AUTHORITIES
DEMAND RELEASE.

SHANGHAI, February 19th.

A message from Hankow states that the steamer mentioned in an Ichang telegram in the *Chichuen*, of the C. R. Cox Company, the master of which is Captain Hawley, an American citizen. The local United States authorities are demanding the immediate release of both steamer and master.

SHANGHAI COTTON MILLS.

TWENTY-TWO FACTORIES ARE
NOW AFFECTED.

SHANGHAI, February 20th.

An official statement was made to-day that six Japanese cotton mills, comprising 22 factories, are affected by the strike, which involves 30,000 operatives. The native police, in conjunction with the Settlement police, broke up a meeting of strikers held on the border of the Settlement and arrested 18 agitators, at which the crowd stormed the Chinese police station, but were dispersed by the native police firing three volleys, nobody being injured.

JAPANESE LODGE PROTEST.

PEKING, February 20th.

The Japanese Legation has sent a Note to the Waichiao, drawing the attention of the Chinese Government to the cotton mill strike at Shanghai.

The Note urges the Peking Government to keep the strikers under surveillance, so as to avoid a repetition of the incident, in which several Japanese employees were injured.

[FROM THE "DAILY BULLETIN."] QUESTION IN DIET.

TOKYO, February 19th.

In the Upper House, this morning, Mr. Raita Mujiyama, Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, drew attention to the strike situation at Shanghai, to which Baron Shidehara replied that the Government were very closely watching, and that they had already drawn the attention of the Peking Government to the situation.

MEDIATION IS SUGGESTED.

The *Asahi*, in the course of a leading article, warns against any high-handed policy, but recommends dealing with the situation calmly, and suggesting that the Japanese and Chinese Chambers of Commerce at Shanghai should mediate.

DEVELOPMENT OF MONGOLIA.

BARON OKURA PLANS EARLY
VISIT OF INVESTIGATION.

TOKYO, February 19th.

The veteran business man, Baron Okura, plans a trip to Mongolia early in April, for the purpose of investigating the possibility of further agricultural developments there, for which a Mongolian Prince is offering land, Baron Okura supplying the capital. Baron Okura, who in view of his advanced age will be largely attended on his journey by a party, has arranged with Chang Tso Lin for an armed escort against a possible attack by bandits.

H.I.M.S. "IKUKI."

MODEL OF BATTLESHIP AS GIFT
TO AUSTRALIA.

TOKYO, February 19th.

The model of the Japanese warship *Ikuki*, for presentation to the Australian Government, has been completed. It will be shortly handed over to the Navy Department for despatch to Australia.

(Continued on next Column).

SCOTTISH LETTER.

BRINGING IN THE NEW YEAR.
SNOW, GALES, AND FLOODS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

EDINBURGH, January 7th.

The New Year has been whirled in on a blast that has brought flood and destruction and fatal shipwreck in its wake. Glimmering fire-lights have dazzled the infant eyes of 1925, and rattling hail and bellying thunder have been its cradle music. Yet even on nights as wild as that on which Tam o' Shanter took the road the spirit of gaiety and rejoicing has not been quenched among us. Crowds of pleasure-seekers have braved the icy scale, the streaming roads, and the thunderous winds of night that in olden times would have been left to the peregrinations of the Devil and the danceings of witches. Hardy revellers have made their appearance once more at the centre of their town or village, lifted their voices to the storm in "Auld New Year to me and a," and broken their carefully hoarded and as carefully drained bottles against the traditional piece of masonry. Clouds have thronged the streets in shivering but indomitable files, and formed in long queues outside theatres and picture houses, displaying in their hunt for amusement a hardiness unexcelled by that of the old Border moss-trooper on a foray. Snow and hail were the last gifts of 1924, and they seem to have been the first offerings of the New Year. Is it an omen, ask some pessimists? Perhaps such signs, like dreams, go by contraries, as March is said to go out like a lamb if it comes in like a lion. If folk-lore be distrusted, some faith may perhaps be placed in the law of averages which makes it unlikely that 1925 will have as heavy a rainfall as 1924. For two years there have been wet summers; is it too much to hope for a dry one six months hence?

SCOTS AND NEW YEAR HONOURS. Glasgow bulks largely in the New Year honours. One of its distinguished sons, Sir James G. Frazer, of "The Golden Bough" fame, receives the Order of Merit; and it will surprise most people, even though they come from North of the Tweed, to learn that the distinguished philosopher was a native of the City on the Clyde. His father, a canny Scot, partner in a firm of chemists, wished him to study for the Bar; there is said to have been a quarrel over the matter; and the end was a compromise which the son interpreted in his own fashion. Sir James had fallen under the influence of Professor Veitch at Glasgow University, and enjoyed the friendship of V. Robertson Smith when he went to England, the latter's broad views on the problems of religion having a particularly marked effect upon his line of thought. Among the unusually large proportion of academic recipients of knighthoods, the names of Principal Irvine, of St. Andrews, and of Professor John Adams, who had a high reputation as an educationalist in Scotland before he earned another in London, have been received with particular pleasure by academic circles. Mr. William J. Keith, Burma, one of the new knights, hails from the seaside resort of Portobello, near Edinburgh, and was educated at the Royal High School and Edinburgh University. Professor Berriale Keith, Edinburgh University, is his brother.

A SOCIALIST FINANCIER'S TRAINING. Mr. William Graham, M.P. for Central Edinburgh, Mr. Philip Snowden's right-hand man in the late Socialist Government, has been telling some of his friends that in early life he experienced financial crises more complicated than any he saw during the nine months he was Financial Secretary to the Treasury. That, he says, was when his favourite football club were playing at home, and he had not the 3d. which was charged for admission. But Graham knew a portion of the enclosure which could be penetrated without paying, and he confesses that there were occasions when he succeeded in getting through.

A HIGHLAND SUPERSTITION. Eromence has been given in the Press to a recent case of belief in the evil eye, and this has resulted in memory instances of the superstition in the olden time in the Highlands. Indeed, it is asserted that the belief is not yet entirely rooted out. The evil eye was attributed to envy or to malice, the former being regarded as the more potent of the two in its baleful effects. But the most innocent eye could also work independently of the will or intention of the owner if certain formalities were not observed on particular occasions. A stranger inexperienced in the habits and customs would find himself constantly in hot water, so intimately were the common-place sayings and doings of daily life associated with the evil eye, and so great was the dread inspired by it. Nothing, for example, could be more fatal to a young family than that it should be counted on by one, and even the mention of the number of children was fraught with grave possibilities, for it was as certain as anything in this world could be that the number would soon be reduced by death. To refer in terms of (Continued on next Column).

REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE. AMERICA'S AIR POWER. BRIGADIER MITCHELL ON DANGER FROM JAPAN. WASHINGTON, February 19th. In the House of Representatives, air-craft committee, Brigadier Mitchell arraigned the inadequacy of American air power, asserting that the defence of the Hawaiian Islands were as obsolete as bows and arrows, and that Japan could easily capture the Philippines and Hawaii. The latter could not hold out more than three weeks. The committee, after hearing evidence, unanimously resolved in favour of re-arming War Secretary Weeks and questioning him further on the subject.

praise to the beauty of a child would be equally rash. Sheep and cattle were also vulnerable if numbered, or if their "points" were specially blessed. In these cases envy was the evil power. But there was always a remedy even for the worst cases if only the remedy were known. After all, the underlying element in all forms of superstition was nothing but the time-old eternal fight waged between good and evil in the world, which is the basis of all religions. And, although evil often had the upper hand for a time, good ultimately prevailed. Prevention was usually possible, if certain precautions were taken; failing that, a simple remedy would generally effect a cure. In the cases mentioned the influence of the spirit of envy could be counteracted by merely "blessing" the children, sheep or cattle immediately on counting them. This is the explanation of the fact that expressions such as— "What a beautiful child; bless her!" "That's a fine cow of yours, bless her!" "I have a dozen lambs this year; bless them," were as commonly heard as comments on the weather.

BREAKDOWN OF VOLUNTARY HOSPITALS. Important issues connected with public health services in Scotland are being raised at an inquiry taking place in Edinburgh regarding our hospital and auxiliary systems. The inquiry is being undertaken by a Departmental Committee appointed by the Scottish Board of Health, and it will surprise no one to learn from the Chairman, Lord MacKenzie, that the Committee have established the fact that the existing hospital system is inadequate. It is not the efficiency but the sufficiency of the hospitals and infirmaries, and their staffs and equipment that is being called in question. Especially in the larger infirmaries it has frequently been complained that the number of beds, despite continual increase and expansion, remains totally inadequate to the number of patients seeking treatment. Finance, of course, is a vital factor in the solution of the problem. Not for the first time the specialist witnesses before the Committee suggested that State aid might have to be sought, and that also provision should be made for patients on a contributory basis. For some points that will have to be considered with great care. Rightly, our great hospital system is one of which Scotland can be proud, and there will be a wide measure of agreement with Sir George Bantock's opinion against the rationalisation of that system. But, it is being widely asked, is it not possible to maintain the voluntary hospitals for the needs of the general public and at the same time provide facilities for patients who are willing, and able to pay for their treatment, at a lower price than is charged in our expensive nursing homes?

A POCKETFUL OF CURIOSITIES. The late Sir Archibald "Gekkie," the famous geologist, was a great collector of Scottish stories. He published a large number of these in his "Scottish Reminiscences," but he confesses that, he had to discard many of those he had recorded, as he discovered they had been already told. New or old, Sir Archibald's stories are good, and have a strong Scots flavour. Here is one, which was favourite of the late Sir George Robertson Smith away back in his Cambridge days. It is the case of the Strathmore hill shepherd, who travelled the dozen odd miles into Perth to purchase his winter requirements. Not many days afterwards he was back again at the shop—the matches he had bought would not strike. "Winna strike!" echoed the assistant. "That's very strange." He took a match and drew it smartly across a leg of his trousers, when it immediately burst into flame. The experiment was repeated a second and third time with equal success. "The matches are all right," he declared. By this time the hill shepherd was almost speechless with exasperation. At last he found his voice. "And div ye think," he demanded, "that every time ye want to scratch a match we've to come at the way from Strathmore to Perth to get a rub o' your breeks?" Then there is Sir Archibald's tale of the Canina man who met with an accident, and had to be taken to Tobermory for medical treatment. It was found necessary to amputate his leg, but the patient made a good recovery. When he was sufficiently well to return to his home he demanded that his severed limb should be handed over to him. It was gently explained that this was hardly possible, especially considering the time which had elapsed since the operation. The returning native, however, would not be appeased. "Dae ye think," he ejaculated, "at the Day o' Judgement, I'm gaun to be running to Tobermory lookin' for me leg?" In Sym's "History of Lilliesleaf" a story of an absent minister is told. His wife had to leave him for a few hours one evening, and on setting out she enjoined him to see that the laddie went to bed at their usual hour. When she got back she asked if they had given any trouble at bedtime. "Just a' the red-headed one," she replied. "The red-headed one?" she ejaculated. "Whaeter do ye mean? There are none of them red-headed!" She hastened to the room and found the tea-stained face and ruddy head of a neighbour's child, now fast asleep, occupying one of the pillows. Another tale is of an angling party who had been engaged for many hours on one of the lochs. They were amply supplied with both solid and liquid refreshments. In each round of the latter the boatman had his share. It was some time that he was also drawing on a private stock. In any case the effect was made manifest on the return to the landing stage. When the man stood up, unable to support himself, he toppled right over the side into the water. He was quickly hauled out, when he made a sad spectacle in his dripping clothes. "And are ye wat, Tam?" one of the party somewhat facetiously inquired. Tam looked up with a gleam of revived interest. "Aye," he answered, "cooide!"

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DR. LILLIAS HAMILTON. ADVENTURE AND SERVICE.

Dr. Lillias Hamilton who died at Nise in January was one of the pioneer medical women of the latter half of the last century, and a mingled desire for adventure and service led her into various fields. Some 30 years ago she was physician to the Court of the late Amir of Afghanistan; her last service was done as warden of St. Andrew's Hospital, London.

Dr. Hamilton came of adventurous stock. The eldest daughter of Hugh Hamilton, a cadet of the old Ayrshire family of Hamilton of Sundrum, she was a granddaughter of John Hamilton, R.N., who, in 1800, when in command of the *Boat*, captured the French frigate *Feder*, 38 guns. Her mother was a daughter of George Innes, of Yarrow, New South Wales, and she was born in that State, but came to Great Britain in childhood. She was educated at Cheltenham College, and herself attributed the inspiration for her career to some words on service spoken by Miss Beale. Having determined on medicine, she braved opposition and first trained as a nurse at the Liverpool Infirmary. Some of her experience of conditions at that time is reflected in "A Nurse's Bequest," 1907, as are some of her later adventures in "A Nurse's Daughter," 1900 (both published by John Murray). Qualifying in 1899 from Edinburgh and the London School of Medicine for Women as M.D., B.Sc., and L.R.C.P., L.R.C.S., Edin., she went to India and established a considerable private practice in Calcutta. In 1893-4 Dr. Hamilton was physician in charge of the Dufferin Hospital, Calcutta.

In 1894, after an attack of cholera, Dr. Hamilton went up to Afghanistan, intending to stay for a few months, but remained for three years as physician to the Court of the late Amir. With the help for a time of her sister, and later of an English nurse, her house in Kabul became a hospital and the centre of far-reaching work among the Afghans. Photographs of that time show her garden filled with groups and family parties, whom her native boys had been taught to sort out according to the nature of their complaints. In 1898 she was in medical charge when the Amir's son paid an official visit to England, and having promised to return to Afghanistan, she kept her word. The strenuous and adventurous life in that country left her with broken health, and on her return to Europe surgical treatment was necessary.

The years that followed brought a successful consultant's practice in London and an interlude in South Africa, when she bought and started a farm in the Transvaal later carried on by her brother.

In 1908, Dr. Hamilton became Warden of St. Andrew's Hospital and Agricultural College for Women. She was influenced to this decision, no doubt, by a variety of reasons, but strong among them was the desire to help in opening up a health-giving career of active work to women, for whom at that time the choice of professions was in general limited to two or three. The suffrage campaign emphasized for her, as she said, the importance of constructive rather than destructive work for women, and her medical experience had shown the preventive as well as the curative possibilities of work on the land.

From 1903 until last year, when ill-health finally compelled her to resign, Dr. Hamilton poured into the college time, energy, strength, and fortune. In her hands, after years of great difficulty, the college became established as one of the two premier training schools of horticulture for women, with a stronger agricultural side than any other. One of the students she trained is now Principal, and her brother, Colonel C. L. Hamilton, C.M.G., D.S.O., who served in the South African War and the Great War, is chairman of the governors. Of her other brothers, George Innes settled in New Zealand, and James Dundas in the Transvaal.

Her forceful, brilliant personality, and her natural instinct to do big things in a big way, had a most invigorating effect on a self-contained community of women, and above and beyond their technical training her students acquired habits of work and independence, and some practical understanding of community life and responsibilities, that have stood them in good stead in many varied activities in many lands. Her greatest satisfaction in later years was to know that her "old girls" were making good, contributing their share of the common service as women of purposeful action in one direction or another, and to feel that "College" had brought them inspiration and training for life and work.

"Once a doctor, always a doctor," and war clouds gave Dr. Hamilton no respite until in 1915 she was able to leave the college in the hands of her sister, and to go out to Montenegro, where she was in charge of a hospital until forced to share in the general retreat through Serbia.

Dr. Hamilton's deep and generous understanding of human nature, her gay courage, her unconquerable zest for life, brought even those who might be differing from her under the spell of her persuasive charm. Patient care, indeed, told in vain after her infinite, kaleidoscopic variety, her swiftness in decision and in action, but to all, from governor to farm hand, there was "no one like the Doctor"—"no one like the Doctor, if you are in real trouble," "no one like the doctor in appreciation of a joke, even one against herself. If she could suffer self-consciousness, how gladly, no honest fellow was too dull, too feeble, for her sympathy, her experience, her wit, and ingenuity to seek, and generally to find, some field for activity, some environment calculated to encourage the development of qualities often unsuspected. To her work spelled salvation, and however great the demands she made on others, she asked of them the utmost they could give, and generally got it—yet she "laboured more abundantly than they all," and that through years of uncertain health.

MORAL EDUCATION.

PARENTS' RESPONSIBILITY.

At a meeting of the women's section of the Alliance of Mothers, held at the Queen's Hall, Langham-place, London, recently, Dame Beatrice Hudson Lyall, who presided, said that as citizens we should be chicken-hearted creatures so long as we shirked the question of purity as we had done in the past. It was difficult to get anyone to come forward and give evidence or complain about cinemas, theatres, or books not fit for young folk to see or read.

They excused themselves by saying that they were shy, and did not know what to say. "They were lazy and cowardly," said Dame Lyall, "and cowardly as citizens and helpless to get a clean Press, clean amusements, and open spaces, we should never make our country what it ought to be. The moral standard of a country was the standard set by its women, and especially by the younger women. The younger women's liberty was not curtailed by man-made regulations, and they therefore had greater responsibilities than the women of the past. These so-called modern women thought little of the women of the past, but unless they could show a womanhood as consecrated, a girlhood as pure and sweet, spiritual qualities as fine, idealism as exalted, and a religious faith as cleansing and ennobling as past generations of the women of this country had shown, then the modern woman would have failed."

Mr. Mary Scherlieb said that she thought punishment should fall most heavily on those who had neglected to forewarn their children on sex matters before they went into the world. "The smallest children's questions should be answered by their mothers, and the knowledge with which they grew up would then be healthy and pure. Nowadays children grew up without knowing what was right. The only remedy against impurity was a pure mind, but small children were permitted to tell nasty stories and to use bad words in a way which sapped the foundations of good and strong character."

Lady Nott-Bower said that there would be no problem of moral education if parents could be induced to view the question aright. Unfortunately parents had got into the habit of thinking that the State was responsible for the teaching and upbringing of their children. The most cruel and wicked thing a mother ever did was when a child came to her for information, to give information which was false and misleading.

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The story of how she came to conduct the wedding was related to a *Daily Chronicle* representative by Mr. Ashely. "It was called 'a mere chance,'" he said, "I was called to Bowstreet Police Court as a witness, and was kept there about five hours. In the middle of the case I realised that I should not get away for the marriage, so I telephoned Miss Haldane, and although it was her first experience of the kind, she took it on without any fuss and conducted it splendidly. She speaks several languages, including French, like a native, and that is particularly useful here, as we have to marry a good many foreigners. I appointed her my deputy because I had difficulty in getting a man, and the passing of the Removal of Sex Disqualification Act gave me the opportunity."

Miss Haldane is over 30, good looking and has a fine musical voice.

ROMANCE OF SHOPKEEPING.

SELLING AS A FINE ART.

How a shop assistant should behave towards a customer who goes into a "ladies" shop with that attitude she should adopt to a woman who comes in with a crying baby, and how he should deal with persons who do not know what they really want are some of the subjects which are being taught in a course for shop assistants under the auspices of the London County Council.

The course, which goes under the title of the "Romance of Shopkeeping," is unique in England, and will be closely watched by the London County Council, with a view to further development of the scheme. The syllabus, which has been drawn up by a committee of influential tradesmen in conjunction with the educational authority, comprises just those subjects which will be most helpful to the young, earnest and ambitious shop assistant who wishes to make good, and eventually to be a manager or have a shop of his or her own. For instance, to encourage confidence, imagination, and a good address, dramatic sketches will be produced; while to assist the young shopkeeper to cultivate a clear style for advertisement writing English lessons will be given, and these will take the form of composing a play in which various types of customers are represented. There will also be instruction in window-dressing, in the rudiments of business organisation, in the origin and development of great shops, and such subjects as laws relating to shops, the importance of good economy without meanness, "how little things amount to a big sum," the position of shops, and arithmetic so far as it concerns the shopkeeper.

DRUNKENNESS TESTS.

SNAPSHOT DIAGNOSIS DANGERS.

DOCTOR CRITIC OF POLICE METHODS.

Strong criticisms of the tests usually employed in police stations to determine whether a person is drunk were made by Sir James Purves-Stewart, senior physician at Westminster Hospital, at a meeting of the Society for the Study of Inebriety in the rooms of the Medical Society of London, Chandos-street, W. Sir James said that, to his mind, "a drunken person" could only be "One who has taken alcohol in a sufficient quantity to poison his central nervous system, producing in his ordinary processes of reaction to his surroundings a temporary disorder which causes him to be a nuisance or danger to himself or to others."

Referring to the examination of supposed drunk persons by police surgeons, Sir James declared that "medical officers vary considerably in their temperament and in their susceptibility to the dogmatic suggestion of drunkenness propounded by police constables," but he added that police constables were in nine cases out of ten correct in their diagnosis.

"A great deal of loose thinking has been going on upon the subject of so-called tests for drunkenness. In my opinion, should insist on a second examination being carried out more frequently than it is at present, which is almost never."

"Failure to stand on one leg with the eyes shut, which I have recently read, is a supposed test of cerebellar disorder, is a mild academic feat which the most sober of us might easily fail to execute during the emotional excitement following police arrest."

Sir James also discredited the ordinary tests of eyesight and speech when a person was taken to a police station as a "drunk." He declared that in his opinion the importance of the symptom of slurred pupils was "often exaggerated."

Disordered articulation, to be of value in establishing the diagnosis of intoxication, should be present in the pronunciation of words which the particular individual was likely to use in his ordinary conversation. As to the test of walking along a straight line, the excitement of having been arrested would be sufficient to prevent a straight course being taken.

"Where the decision is doubtful," Sir James Purves-Stewart urged, "it is the duty of the medical officer, resisting the human tendency to corroborate without careful consideration the 'snapshot' diagnosis of the police constable, to give the patient the benefit of the doubt. There is no short-cut to accurate diagnosis. Our only safe guide is by means of careful and systematic clinical examination."

The only satisfactory general test of drunkenness was whether a man was in a fit condition to pursue efficiently his ordinary daily avocation in life.

LIFE'S NEW TERROR.

BUSINESS IN THE BARBER'S CHAIR.

What is claimed to be Europe's most luxurious hairdressing establishment at popular prices is to be opened in London this month. Part of the right wing of the Corner House in Coventry-street will be transformed into hairdressing and beauty parlour saloons. Amongst features of the men's hairdressing department are—

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BRIDE'S VAIN WAIT.

MAN REFUSES TO LEAVE BED TO BE MARRIED.

After a bride at Muckamore, County Antrim, had waited some time for the bridegroom to come to her home and take her to the church for their wedding, as arranged, messengers were sent in search of him.

He was found asleep in bed, and said he had changed his mind about getting married.

He refused to get up, and the messengers had to take the news to the bride waiting in her wedding dress and the clergyman waiting at the church.

HEROINE'S BABY.

DAUGHTER FOR SAVIOUR OF MISS MOLLE ELLIS.

News has been received of the birth of a daughter to Major and Mrs. Underhill at Peshawar.

Mrs. Underhill, formerly Mrs. Lillian Starr, was the heroine of the North-West Indian frontier outrage, when in April, 1923, she rescued from the Afghans Miss Mollie Ellis, daughter of Major Ellis, who had been kidnapped after the murder of her mother by Fakhra.

Mrs. Starr in November, 1923, married Major C. E. O. Underhill, 1st Punjab. She was awarded the Kaisar-i-Hind gold medal for her brave rescue of Mollie Ellis.

A parent will not go to a doctor and prescribe for his child's body, but he will go to a schoolmaster and prescribe for the child's mind.—Lord Gerdil.

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But no matter what the cause, the effect is serious. Once the trouble takes hold, indigestion punishes its victim in a variety of ways, of which flushing or a sense of fulness after meals, pain between the shoulders, palpitation of the heart, wind, heartburn, the bringing up of a disagreeable watery fluid into the mouth and sick headaches are only a few.

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GERMAN SHIPPING SUBSIDIES.

Under the disguise of unemployment relief the German Government is about to grant handsome subsidies to ship-building. Reports from Hamburg state that a pledge to this effect has already been signed with the Central Federation of German Shipowners. Under this agreement the Government and the shipowners are each to provide a sum of £2,500,000 sterling for the construction of new tonnage (one account says this sum is to be spent "every year"). The Government contribution will be in the form of a loan on extraordinarily easy terms. One report says that the interest is to be only 1 per cent. annually until the new vessels are placed in service. According to other accounts, however, the interest is to be 4 per cent. for the first year, 3 per cent. for the two next, and 6 per cent. for another equal period. Even if this version is correct the shipowners will obtain the money at 6 per cent. considerably less than half its present price in the open market.

These Government subsidies are to be taken from the sum appearing in the Estimates for productive unemployed relief. They will be distributed among the owners in proportion to their present tonnage, but a special allocation will be made to small firms whose financial position is said to be particularly difficult.

Naturally the papers lay stress on the influence which the agreement will have on the labour market, but there can be no doubt that it is primarily intended as a protective subsidization of Germany's mercantile marine. Even if the loan is redeemed, its ridiculously light terms amount to a substantial gift to the shipping lines.

CANCER CURABLE.

FAMOUS SURGEON'S STATEMENT.

"We do not know the cause or causes of cancer, but we certainly do know how to cure it if only early opportunities are vouchsafed to us."

This declaration, was made by Sir Berkeley Moynihan, the surgeon, to the annual meeting of the Science Masters Association at Leeds recently.

There are laboratories all over the world engaged in cancer research. The quest is for the cause of cancer. We do not know whether a micro-organism is sometimes, or never, or always the agent—whether a habit of body, a congenital disposition, or a mode of life contributes something to a large causative influence.

If the cause of cancer is discovered, we may learn how to prevent it and even be brought to realise that there is a method to cure it which directly depends upon our knowledge of the cause; but let us never forget that we know how to cure cancer in almost all parts of the body in which it commonly occurs.

Nothing is more certain in clinical experience than this—that cancer, whatever its occult nature may be, is in truth a local disease in the first instance, that it remains a local disease for periods which are sometimes short and sometimes very long, and that if then treated by operative methods upon a plan conformable to modern notions the disease is completely and permanently eradicated. The unending difficulty is to obtain access to the disease while it is still in the local stage.

This imposes a new and larger duty upon the profession of medicine—the duty to enlighten the public as to the early symptoms and signs and to make it a matter of common knowledge that cancer is not, as everyone supposes, a disease from whose immediate or recurrent ravages there is no escape. We must broadcast the truth that, with few exceptions, an early operation for any cancerous disease is attended by the slightest risk, if, indeed, by any, and may confidently be expected to confer a permanent immunity from a return of the same disease.

THE STARS HAD TOLD HIM SO.

A Tamil, who was brought up before the Ipoh (F.M.S.) Magistrate recently on a charge of being found drunk and incapable, pleaded guilty. His Worship: What are you by profession? Accused: I am an Astrologer, Sir. His Worship: Can you tell me how much you are going to be fined? Accused: One dollar. Magistrate: Yes, one dollar!

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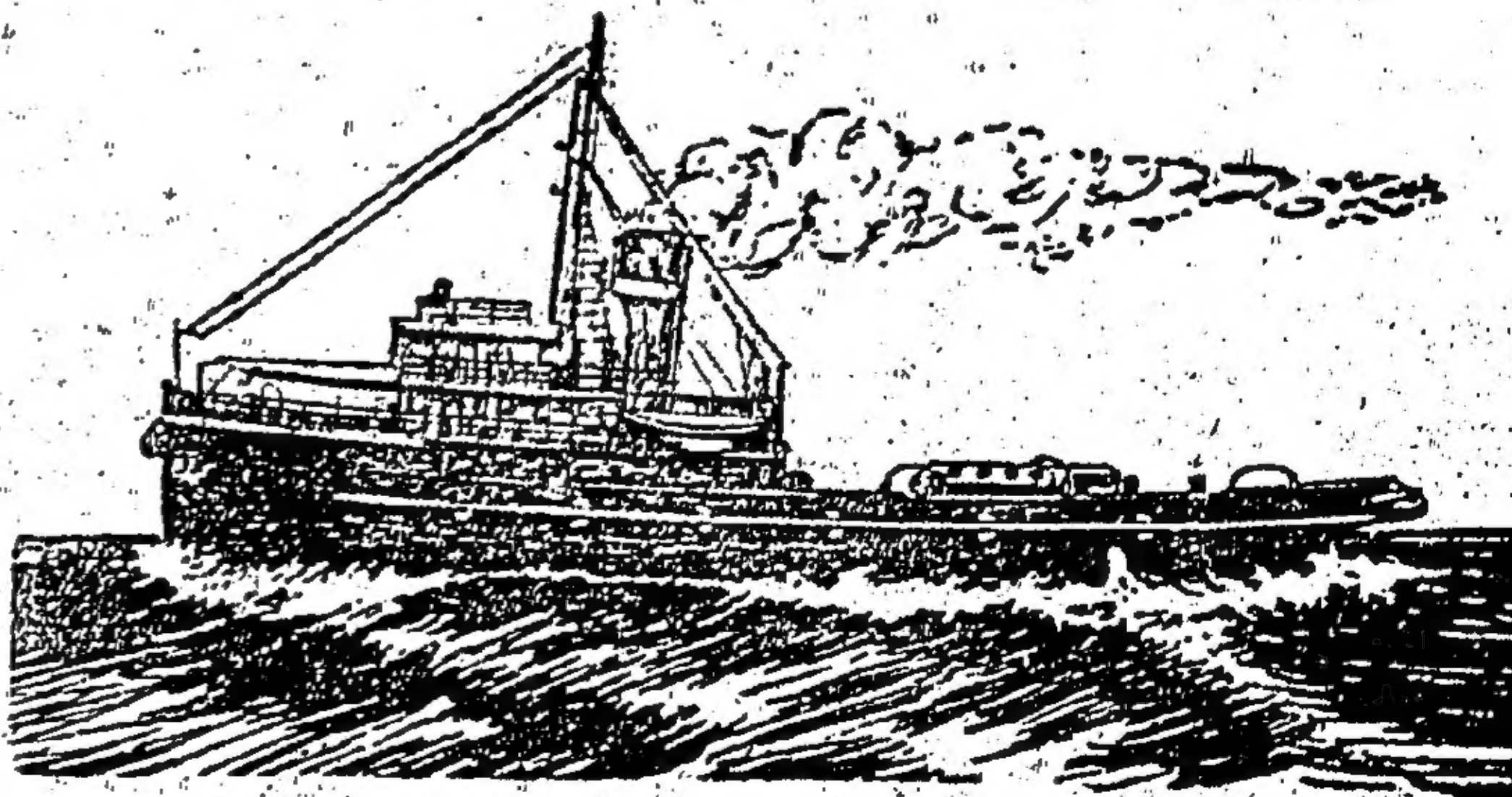
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Antelope, British str., 1,717 tons. Capt. F. H. Towill, from Singapore, with a general cargo, lying at Hoihow wharf.—B. & S.
Empress, British str., 5,347 tons. Capt. T. H. Nelson, from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A52.—B. & S.
Kashima, British str., 5,985 tons. Capt. R. H. Stringer, O.B.E., R.N.R., from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A1.—Mackinnon, MacKenzie & Co.
Takura, British str., 1,011 tons. Capt. J. H. McCaw, from Saigon, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. C42.—Yuen Shing Fat.
Atsukawa Maru, Japanese str., 2,282 tons. Capt. R. Morokuma, from Mitsui, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. B10.—M.B.K.
Nadana, British str., 1,886 tons. Capt. G. G. Randall, from Bombay, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf.—Mackinnon, MacKenzie & Co.
Sunamari Maru, Japanese str., 2,562 tons. Capt. Y. Saito, from Bombay and Singapore, with a general cargo and cotton, lying at Kowloon wharf.—U.S.K.
Smit, Portuguese str., 410 tons. Capt. G. A. de Souza, from Kwang Chow, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf.—Hung Kow.
Tunglo, Chinese str., from Canton, lying at buoy No. C10.
Togo Maru, Japanese str., 2,279 tons. Capt. S. Takemori, from Kowloon, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. B30.—M.B.K.
Yutong, Chinese str., from Canton, lying at buoy No. C36.

CLEARANCES.

February 20th.
Borneo, for Hoihow.
Geleba Maru, for Singapore.
Gump, for Singapore.
Harpoon, for Singapore.
Hud, for Swatow.
Hung, for Kwang Chow Wan.
Kashima, for Singapore.
Kiangyue, for Amoy.
Kingkong, for Canton.
Nunawik, for Tournay.
Pravet, for Manila.
Siberia Maru, for Shanghai.
Solomon, for Saigon.
Soudan, for Shanghai.
Southern Maru, for Kobe.
Smit, for Kwang Chow Wan.
Tunglo, for Foochow.
Venezia, for Singapore.
West Vancouver, for Manila.
Yutong, for Peking.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* arrived at Kobe on February 15th, at 11:30 a.m., left on the same day at 6 p.m., and was due at Nagasaki yesterday.
The *Empress* (Blue Funnel Line), arrived at London on the 19th inst.
The *Pyralis* (Blue Funnel Line), left Port Said on the 19th inst. for Amsterdam, London and Hamburg.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Antelope (Blue Funnel), due February 22nd.
Empress of Asia (C.P.R.), due February 23rd.
Empress (Blue Funnel), due March 14th.
Kashima Maru (N.Y.K.), due February 24th.
Hakone Maru (N.Y.K.), due March 9th.
Kashima Maru (N.Y.K.), due February 24th.
Tankang (Swedish), due February 28th.
President Adams (Dollar), due March 2nd.
President Jefferson (Admiral Oriental), due March 1st.
Sora Maru (N.Y.K.), due March 23rd.
Thecus (Blue Funnel), due March 1st.
Tanagawa Maru (N.Y.K.), due February 21st.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONGKONG.

Standard Time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich.

Date	Sunrise	Sunset
Feb. 21st	6:51 a.m.	6:23 p.m.
" 22nd	6:53	6:23
" 23rd	6:50	6:24
" 24th	6:49	6:24
" 25th	6:48	6:25
" 26th	6:47	6:26
" 27th	6:47	6:26
" 28th	6:46	6:27

Syren & Shipping, Ltd. have recently issued under the title of "More survivors of a Glorious Era" an account, with 38 illustrations, of a number of further famous sailing-ships which are still afloat. Despite the fact that the wind-jammer has had her day and is rapidly becoming a romantic memory, these incomparable achievements of the ship-builder's art will always make an irresistible appeal to all who have the salt of the sea in their veins. The ocean-going sailors under the British flag can to-day almost be counted on two hands, whereas 30 years ago our sailing-ship fleet totalled over 25 million tons. The publication in January last of "Survivors of a Glorious Era" met with an instantaneous success. (Continued at foot of next column.)

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
New York & Boston via PANAMA	Masabashi Maru	Jap.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 18th Mar.
New York & Boston	Gohshi Prince	Brit.	Prince Line	On 1st Apr.
San Francisco via SHANGHAI & JAP. PORTS & H.K.	Pharos	Brit.	The Bank Line, Limited	On 28th inst.
San Francisco, &c.	President Pierce	Am.	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	On 28th inst., 11 a.m.
VICTORIA & VANCOUVER, B.C. via SHANGHAI, &c.	West Carmona	Am.	Struthers & Barry	On 28th Mar.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE & VANCOUVER	Empress Asia	Brit.	Canadian Pacific O.R. Ltd.	On 27th inst., 11 a.m.
Yokohama, Seattle & Vancouver	Yokohama Maru	Jap.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 3rd Mar.
Seattle & Victoria, via SHANGHAI, Kobe & Yokohama	Lyndareus	Brit.	Bateman & Swire	On 27th inst., 1 a.m.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, ANTWERP & HULL	Ussell, McKinley	Brit.	Admiral Oriental Line	On 21st inst., Noon.
MARSEILLES, &c.	Kashim	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 28th Mar.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, &c.	Fontainebleau	Brit.	Messageries Maritimes	On 1st Mar.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, RYAN & HAMBURG	Portheus	Brit.	Messageries Maritimes	On 18th Mar.
GENOA, MARSEILLES, LIVERPOOL & GLASGOW	Angkor	Brit.	Messageries Maritimes	On 28th inst., 11 a.m.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & HAMBURG	Kamo Maru	Jap.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 28th inst.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	City of Barots	Brit.	The Bank Line, Ltd.	On 21st inst.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Protestant	Brit.	Bateman & Swire	On 2nd Mar.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Fukia	Brit.	Melchers & Co.	On 16th Mar.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Marion	Brit.	Bateman & Swire	On 27th inst.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Pembrokehire	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd.	On 27th inst.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Ouderkirk	Dut.	Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd.	On 27th inst.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Tottori Maru	Jap.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 28th inst., 3 p.m.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Houang	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd.	On 28th inst.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Tilamba	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 28th inst.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Kidderpore	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 11th Mar.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Jeypore	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 28th inst.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Van Overstraten	Ital.	Doddwell & Co. Ltd.	On 27th inst.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Flame-L	Ital.	Bateman & Swire	On 28th inst., 4 p.m.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Huichow	Jap.	Yamashita Kisen Kaisha	About
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Taiwa Maru	Jap.	Yamashita Kisen Kaisha	On 28th inst., Noon.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Chukwa Maru	Jap.	Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd.	On 18th Mar., 11 a.m.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Mausang	Brit.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 28th inst.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Tango Maru	Jap.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 28th inst.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Taiyuan	Brit.	Bateman & Swire	On 28th inst.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Yokohama Maru	Jap.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 28th inst.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Chatsang	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd.	On 24th inst., Noon.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Taiwan	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 28th inst.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Socila	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 21st inst., 5 p.m.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Kashgar	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	About 28th inst., 10 a.m.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Lacania	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	About 28th inst.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Aratara	Dut.	Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd.	On 28th inst.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Soudan	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 21st inst., D.L.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Yuanang	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd.	On 2nd inst.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Tikambang	Dut.	Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd.	About 28th inst., 10 a.m.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Mingung	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd.	On 28th inst., 11 a.m.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Kwangchow	Brit.	Bateman & Swire	On 21st inst., D.L.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Kiangsu	Brit.	Bateman & Swire	On 28th inst., 1 p.m.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Haihong	Brit.	Douglas Lapsrak & Co.	On 27th inst., 1 p.m.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Haiching	Brit.	Douglas Lapsrak & Co.	On 4th Mar., 5 p.m.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	President Taft	Am.	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	On 27th inst.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Empress Asia	Brit.	Canadian Pacific O.R. Ltd.	On 27th inst.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Yuenyang	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd.	On 28th inst., 3 p.m.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	President Jefferson	Am.	Admiral Oriental Line	On 2nd Mar.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	West Ivan	Brit.	Struthers & Barry	On 28th inst.

WEATHER REPORT.

February 20th at 18.05.—Pressure has decreased moderately at Chetoo and slightly over N.E. Japan and at Shanghai. It has increased slightly at the majority of other reporting stations.
The anticyclone over China has weakened and slightly, spiral eastward and southward.
Fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the China Sea.
Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, Feb. 20th 9.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 44.7 inches, against an average of 2.61 inches.
The forecast for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, Feb. 21st is as follows:—
Forecast
Formosa Channel N.E. winds, fresh, to moderate; fair.
Hongkong to Gap Rock N.E. winds, fresh, to moderate; fair.

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HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, February 20th.				
	Previous Day	On Date	On Date	On Date
	at 2 p.m.	6 a.m.	2 p.m.	at 2 p.m.
Barometer	29.99	30.14	30.13	
Temperature	53	45	56	
Humidity	68	61	53	
Wind Direction	N.N.E.	N	S.E.	
" Force	3	3	2	
Weather	2	0	0	
Rain	0.10	0.00	0.01	
Highest open-air temperature on 19th			59	
Lowest open-air temperature on 20th			45	

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From February 21st to 27th, 1925.						
HIGH WATER.				LOW WATER.		
Days of Week.	Days of Month.	H'kong, Standard Time.	Height.		H'kong, Standard Time.	Height.
		h. m.	ft. in.		h. m.	ft. in.
Satur.	21	9 58	4 5		1 22	0 7
Sun.	22	9 43	7 5		1 29	3 0
Mon.	23	8 51	4 6		3 4	0 5
Tues.	24	10 17	7 6		3 19	2 7
Wed.	25	9 36	7 5		3 45	0 5
Thur.	26	11 59	5 1		5 4	1 0
Fri.	27	11 56	6 1		5 25	2 3
		0 35	5 1		6 19	1 9
					6 22	2 5

CHURCH SERVICES.

Union Church, Kennedy Road.—Sunday Services, February 22nd.—
Sunday School at 10 o'clock.
Morning Service at 11 o'clock.
Hymns: 87, 314, 792, 671, 309.
P.S.A. Meeting for Men at 4 p.m.
Evening Service at 6 o'clock.
Hymns: 77, 182, 239, 546, 570.
Prayer both Morning and Evening: Rev. J. Kirk Macounchie. [1899]

First Church of Christ, Science Road, below Bowen Road, Tram Station.—Sunday, 11.15 a.m. Wednesday, 6.30 p.m. Reading Room open Tuesday and Friday mornings—10 to 12. [193]

Four editions have already been printed. The issue of "More Survivors" continues the story. As a supplement a reproduction of a water colour of the *Cutty Sark* and the *Titanic* is included. (Other Shipping News on page 9).

CANADIAN PACIFIC

CHANGE IN SAILING DATE

EMPRESS OF ASIA

WILL SAIL FOR

MANILA

At 5.00 p.m., Thursday, February 26th

and Arrive MANILA

At 8.00 a.m., Saturday, February 28th.

RETURNING

Leave MANILA

At 5.00 p.m., Sunday, March 1st

and Arrive HONGKONG

At 8.00 a.m., Tuesday, March 3rd.



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MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore Ports.
KAMO MARU — Wednesday, 25th Feb., at 11 a.m.
KATORI MARU — Wednesday, 11th Mar.
HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM.
DURBAN MARU — Tuesday, 17th March.
LIVERPOOL via ADEN & MARSEILLES.
TORA MARU — Tuesday, 16th March.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila Ports.
TANGO MARU — Wednesday, 18th Mar., at 11 a.m.
AKI MARU — Wednesday, 15th Apr.
NEW YORK & BOSTON via PANAMA.
MAYEASHI MARU — Friday, 13th Mar.
BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.
KAMAKURA MARU (calls Delagoa Bay & Port Elizabeth) — Wednesday, 4th Mar.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.
TOTTORI MARU — Saturday, 28th Feb.
AKITA MARU — Tuesday, 3rd Mar.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
HEIYO MARU — Wednesday, 3rd Mar.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
AKI MARU — Thursday, 12th Mar.
SEANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
YAMAGATA MARU (Moji Direct) — Sunday, 22nd Feb.
KASHIMA MARU — Monday, 1st Mar.
TAMBA MARU — Tuesday, 10th Mar.
HAKONE MARU — Tuesday, 10th Mar.
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ANGKOR	—	—	15th Mar. "
COMPAGNE	28th Jan. 1923	3rd Mar. 1923	28th Mar. "
ANGERS	12th Feb. "	17th Mar. "	12th Apr. "
PAUL LECAT	28th Feb. "	31st Mar. "	28th Apr. "
ANDRE LEBON	12th Mar. "	14th Apr. "	10th May. "

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"MALWA"	10,941	7th Mar.	Marseilles & London
"JEYPORE"	8,918	11th Mar.	Singapore Penang, & Bombay
"SOUDAN"	8,908	18th Mar.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Ceylon
"KARNATA"	8,908	31st Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KIDDERPORE"	8,934	31st Mar.	Singapore & Bombay
"MIRZAPUR"	8,715	26th Mar.	Singapore & Bombay
"SICILIA"	8,913	31st Mar.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Ceylon
"KARNATA"	10,904	4th Apr.	Marseilles & London
"MALEDONIA"	8,908	18th Apr.	Marseilles & London
"NAGDOVA"	11,089	2nd May	Marseilles & London
"SARDINIA"	8,884	18th May	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Ceylon
"SOUDAN"	8,693	23rd May	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Ceylon
"MORRA"	10,911	30th May	Marseilles & London
"KALYAN"	8,118	13th June	Marseilles & London
"SICILIA"	8,913	23rd June	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Ceylon
"MALWA"	10,941	27th June	Marseilles & London
"KASHMIR"	8,908	11th July	Marseilles & London
"MALWA"	10,908	25th July	Marseilles & London

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS

S.S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"TALAMBA"	8,018	28th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TAKLIWA"	7,936	9th Mar.	do.
"TAIREA"	7,933	19th Mar.	do.
"TAKADA"	8,946	27th Mar.	do.
"TALMA"	10,000	18th Apr.	do.
"TILAWA"	10,006	25th Apr.	do.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

S.S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"TANDA"	8,988	28th Feb.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.
"ARAFURA"	8,000	1st Apr.	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	29th April	do.
"TANDA"	8,988	3rd June	do.
"ARAFURA"	8,000	1st July	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	29th July	do.
"TANDA"	8,988	32nd Sept.	do.

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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

S.S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"KASHGAR"	9,005	21st Feb. 5 p.m.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TAIREA"	7,933	28th Feb.	Moji & Kobe.
"SICILIA"	8,913	7th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	8,000	7th Mar.	Moji & Kobe.
"MALWA"	10,941	7th Mar.	Rangoon, Moji & Kobe.
"TAKADA"	8,946	7th Mar.	Moji & Kobe.
"KARNATA"	8,908	21st Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TALMA"	10,000	28th Mar.	Kobe.
"MALEDONIA"	11,089	3rd Apr.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	4th Apr.	Moji & Kobe.
"TILAWA"	10,006	4th Apr.	Kobe.
"SARDINIA"	8,884	17th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"NAGDOVA"	8,944	23rd Apr.	do.
"MOIRA"	13,011	1st May	do.
"SOUDAN"	8,693	1st May	do.
"TANDA"	8,988	8th May	Moji & Kobe.
"KALYAN"	8,118	15th May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MALWA"	10,941	20th May	do.
"SICILIA"	8,913	28th Mar.	Shanghai & Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	8,000	6th June	Moji & Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	8,908	18th June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MALWA"	10,941	28th June	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	28th June	Shanghai & Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	4th July	Moji & Kobe.
"MALEDONIA"	11,089	10th July	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TANDA"	8,988	24th July	do.
		8th Aug.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama

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Ports	Steamers	Date of Departure	DL.
AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KIANGSU"	On 21st Feb.	4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"KANGCHOW"	On 21st Feb.	4 p.m.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KWANGCHOW"	On 22nd Feb.	11 a.m.
AMOY & SINGAPORE	"SOOCHOW"	On 22nd Feb.	3 p.m.
ROUHOW & SINGAPORE	"SZECHUEN"	On 23rd Feb.	5 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"TAIYUAN"	On 24th Feb.	10 a.m.
WUHAIR, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"YINGCHOW"	On 25th Feb.	Noon
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"HUICHOW"	On 25th Feb.	4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SHANTUNG"	On 26th Feb.	11 a.m.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"LIANGCHOW"	On 26th Feb.	Noon
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KAIKANG"	On 1st Mar.	11 a.m.
ROUHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"KINGTIAN"	On 3rd Mar.	11 a.m.
AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"TAKING"	On 19th Mar.	11 a.m.
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"PERSIA"	—	Sailing 2nd Apr.

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